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NATIONAL COIN WEEK 1956

National Coin Week 1956 is the poor man's paradise. The theme is "Pennies of the World."

Here is a theme which provides greater scope and should encourage more participants than any previous year. Clubs and individuals can arrange colorful and interesting displays without attempting to cover the entire field encompassed by the theme.

Crowds would gather to look at such groups as these: The 1856 Small Cent and Subsequent Issues, The Counterstamped Coppers of Brazil, The Tribute Penny of Biblical Fame and Other Roman Denarii, The Pennies and Half Pennies of the Early American Colonies, The Coppers which Led to the Small Cent of 1856, The Coppers of the British Empire, The Aluminum Pennies of Italy and Vatican City, and many others.

Other suggestions will appear in subsequent issues of *The Numismatist*.

CONTEST RULES will follow last year's pattern with three classes of club entries; Class A will be clubs of 50 or more members; Class B will be clubs of 25 to 49 members, and clubs with a membership of 24 or less will compete in Class C. Individual entries will be strictly one man shows.

Clubs should appoint their National Coin Week chairmen now and help to make all preliminary arrangements for a prize winning exhibit.

Remember the successful display is one which encourages the man on the street to go home and look at his cigar box full of odds and ends and make an interested and informed collector of him. The average man is an incipient collector now—all he needs is a little encouragement.

Last year local clubs gained many members during National Coin Week and are bigger and stronger today as a result.

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General Chairman
A.N.A. National Coin Week 1956
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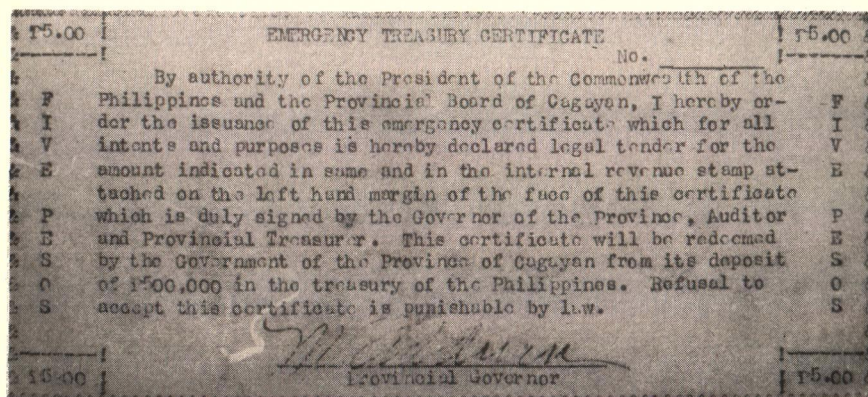
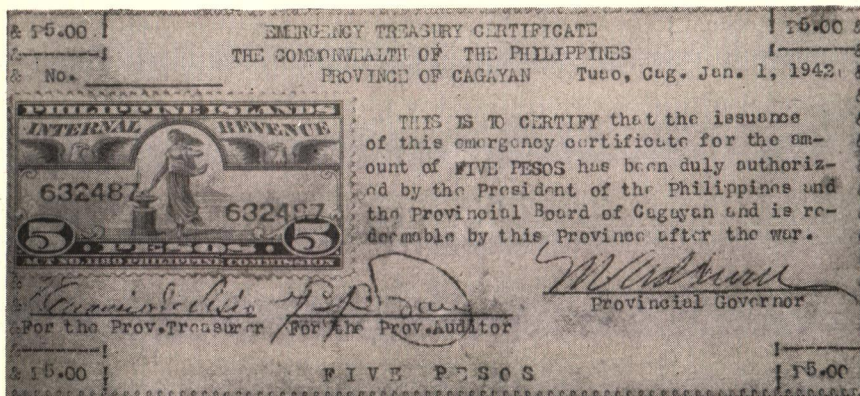
ARCHAIC ART PERIOD, 700-480 B.C.—The art work on the coins of these two centuries is characterized at first by a rude strength of style, and afterwards by a gradual development into clearly defined forms, which, however, are always distinguishable by their angularity and stiffness from the freer work of later times. Thus, for instance, the eye of the human face is always drawn, even when in profile, as if seen from the front; both corners being visible, while the mouth wears the fixed and formal smile with which we are familiar on the Egyptian monuments. Towards the end of the archaic period a type in relief begins to appear within the incuse square of the reverses. The coins which circulated most widely were, in silver, those of Aegina with the tortoise . . . ; the tetradrachms of Athens, first introduced by Solon 590 B.C., obverse, head of Athena, reverse, owl, the sacred bird of that goddess; and, in gold, the famous darics, on which the Persian king is represented as a kneeling archer. In the west the chief coins were those of the Greek colonies in southern Italy, Sybaris, Croton, Tarentum, etc., which differ from those of Greece proper in having the figures on the reverse in intaglio instead of in relief. (B. V. Head in Chambers's *Encyclopaedia*, 1891)

A PHILIPPINE NUMISMATIC-PHILATELIC GUERRILLA NOTE

By

GILBERT S. PEREZ

When the author wrote his first article and tentative list of the Philippine guerilla currency of during the Japanese occupation. He replied that if there was such an issue, he had not seen even one



Cagayan notes, with and without internal revenue stamp.

Cagayan province, he believed that he had listed all of the different issues from that province. Recently, however, he received a letter from abroad asking if it was true that revenue stamps were formerly used for currency in the Philippines

specimen. Shortly afterwards when on an inspection trip in Cagayan province, he found a specimen in an elementary school museum and that started him on a hunt for at least a few specimens. As it was almost 10 years after liberation he felt it

would indeed be a very difficult task.

He was able to find, however, after considerable writing and inquiring, three specimens and also learned that it was the first issue of the Cagayan currency and that the number issued was indeed very limited. The notes were mimeographed and on one of the notes was glued a large and beautiful internal revenue stamp engraved at the U. S. bureau of engraving and printing. As Gov. Arranz and the provincial treasurer's supply of internal revenue stamps which they carried with them across the Cagayan river was very limited, the first issue of notes lasted only a few weeks and another issue without

internal revenue stamps had to be released. These were the first issues of the Cagayan notes, followed by another mimeographed issue without the stamps and then the printed ones which he listed in his article on the Cagayan issues in *The Numismatist* which were the third and not the first issue as he had listed them in the article.

This is one of the most unusual of all of the guerrilla notes of the Japanese occupation and, next to the rare Grinstead issued in Bukidnon, one of the very rarest set of emergency notes ever issued in the Philippines. It is an item of great interest both to Philippine numismatists and Philippine philatelists.

CENTRAL STATES CONVENTION

All roads lead to Indianapolis April 27, 28 and 29. The Hoosier capital is really spreading the welcome mat for visitors to the big Central States Numismatic Society's 14th annual convention. Members of the Indianapolis Coin Club are making preparations for an expected attendance of over 500 numismatists. One hundred thousand dollars worth of coins will be placed on the auction block by the nationally prominent A. Kosoff of California. In addition to the auction, there will be displays of coins in all metals from all parts of the world.

Affirmative answers have already been received from over 40 dealers for space, with more expected to

attend. Their booths are always a "must see" highlight of any numismatic convention. The ladies have not been forgotten. The Indianapolis CSNS members are taking care of all the details, so that the ladies will thoroughly enjoy famous Hoosier hospitality.

If you plan to attend these Indianapolis addresses will help you with your reservations:

Rooms: Contact Claypool Hotel or Lee T. Long, 4806 E. Washington St.

Coins to Exhibit: Write Fred Clafey, 1551 Whalen St.

Bourse Table: Contact Francis Dunn, 708 E. 11th St., Apt. 2 as soon as possible.

PRECIOUS METALS AS MEDIUMS OF EXCHANGE — The use of precious metals as mediums of exchange may be traced back to the remotest ages of which we possess any historical accounts. Thus, for instance, we read that Abraham was "very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold" (Gen. xiii. 2; xxiv. 35), and in the account of his purchase of the cave of Machpelah (Gen. xxiii. 16) it is stated that "Abraham weighed to Ephron 400 shekels of silver current with the merchant." This use of gold and silver as uncoined money, weighed in the balance, must, however, be carefully distinguished from its use as "coin," a word which implies that the ingot or piece of metal is impressed with an official device, mark, or type, serving the purpose of a guarantee of just weight and value. (B. V. Head in Chambers's *Encyclopaedia*, 1891)

Better read this, if you collect paper money
CLASSIFYING PAPER CURRENCY

By

WILLIAM A. PHILPOTT, JR.

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(A 1955 convention paper)

SINCE paper currency is now enjoying a well deserved popularity in the numismatic field, it seems befitting that somebody or other undertake to set up a few guideposts to direct the collector toward a fair and sensible judging of condition as pertains to the cherished specimens of our folding money. This paper proposes to be such an undertaking. These observations derive from the writer's experience over a 40-year period, during which he has owned, seen, examined, and studied many thousands of notes, representing every series issued by the United States Treasury since 1861.

Determining the condition of paper currency is a less complex and tangled task than that of arriving at the condition of coins. With the latter every man seems to set up his own grades and degrees of condition, and every other man feels free to differ and use his own measurements and gradations. Hence, for many years now, grading the condition of coins has been a confusing, complicated, and oftentimes hazardous undertaking. Each collector, each dealer seems to have his own set of symbols and classifications to indicate his judgment of a coin's condition, and many times the grade of a coin depends on whether it is being bought or sold. There seems to be a tendency toward a similar confusion creeping into the classifying of paper money; and one purpose of this piece is to deplore this tendency, and promote

simplicity in condition-classification of currency.

Those catalogers who attempt price-setting on currency, list only two condition classifications: *fine* and *new*. It is not as easy as that. What is *fine* to one person would hardly be *good* to another, and a note classed as *new* is many times further graded as one with "small repair on corner," or "light folds in three places." So, there seems to be a need of amplification, a further definition of certain degrees of wear and tear.

In our grading we do not use the term *new*. We have seen notes carefully washed, pressed, and restored which looked like new—yet had seen considerable circulation. The term we like is *uncirculated*, and no qualifying words are necessary. There is no such thing as an uncirculated bill which is near, about, almost, well-nigh, or slightly short of uncirculated. A piece of paper currency is never nearly uncirculated: it either is or it is not uncirculated. We favor four classifications for describing the condition of currency: *acceptable*, *fine*, *exceedingly fine*, and *uncirculated*.

An *acceptable* note must show all words, figures, designs, plate work plainly, though the ink may be dull and the paper sizing a bit roughed at the edges. An *acceptable* note means just that: it will do until the collector can locate a better specimen, or because it is of so rare the owner cannot afford a better. Except for the great rarities, any note

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falling below the *acceptable* classification should be turned into the bank at face value.

A *fine* note gets into the desirable class. Its inks are bright, its original charm and beauty are quickly apparent, its circulation marks are confined to minor soils and creases. It can show some expert art-gum cleaning, some wrinkle pressings, and a bit of light repair work. But a *fine* bill cannot have a corner missing or a pin hole (the size of a six-penny nail) through the vignette. It can be considerably off-center and still rate as a *fine* note.

An *exceedingly fine* piece of currency is next to the best in condition. It must have all qualities of a *fine* note as enumerated in the paragraph above, and, in addition, the ink on the seals and other overprinted work must be bright and clear, and there must be some of the original crispness to the paper. Folds may be definite, but no soils or stains can be ground into the fiber. It can be clipped close, have a few needle-and-thread holes, and still be *exceedingly fine*.

The *uncirculated* note is the perfect specimen, and should be the objective of every collector's search. It has never been circulated, but has reposed all these years in the valued collection of some fond paper money addict. It cannot have a crease — particularly one that affects the sizing of the paper. It cannot be discolored or soiled. Its inks cannot be faded. It must be something to cheer the discriminating soul of the condition-crank who has a bent toward paper money. While unnecessary to label the uncirculated note, it must be superb, a beauty, a gem, and all other superlatives the ardent currency worshipper can think up to qualify it. There is nothing better than an uncirculated note to start the enthusiast's inner glow.

Several by-paths in condition classification abound in the paper currency field which may be fun to explore. Take this pin-hole ogre, as an example. Holes in latter-day paper currency are generally made by pins. The bank teller, wrapping currency in packages, often puts the brightest bill on top. Here it is punc-

tured with a pin, fastening the wrapping strip — then often inked with the teller's rubber stamp — a double blot on a desirable bill, sufficient to cause a currency collector to cry. These mutilations are greatly lamented.

In the early paper money, up to 1875, there appeared many holes which are erroneously called pin-holes. These openings were made, in the early days, by needle and thread sewing of money packages to keep down thievery by railway messengers and other handlers of currency shipments. (Several years ago we wrote an article on this needle-and-thread business, which appeared in *The Numismatist* of September, 1952.) So, we find much of the early national paper currency, legals, demand notes, and interest bearing notes with these minute punctures made by protective sewing. We have never objected much to these holes. They are so small the note must be held up to the light to discover them. They are always in the center of the notes. And the only notes of the early days which escaped this puncturing process are the uncirculated ones! Big, pin-punctures in the modern series (since 1900) are an abomination, and do detract from the desirability of a note. They are generally on the left hand end, and are caused by pinning the currency to letters.

Undeniable blemishes are often found on uncirculated notes which do not disqualify them to highest classing: the smudge at the upper right hand corner of the bill caused by constant counting, while the note was in its original bundle; and the rounded corners of a note, caused by being in a bundle stored for a long period in a bank or other vault. These two disfigurements are slight and inconsequential on an uncirculated note.

Close-clipping is another defacement which we have considered of small importance. Close-clipping occurs only on the national bank issue, as all other notes have been cut at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. National currency (money issued by national banks) has always been sent to the banks of

issue in uncut sheets. This has allowed great variety in cutting the notes apart. Closely clipped notes of the original charter period and the series of 1875 are the rule. The margins on these sheets were very narrow, and seemingly many banks instructed their "school boy" cutters to "clip off the white all the way around." As a result many first charter period notes come down to us very closely clipped. So, we do not pay much attention to lack of margins on these early notes — unless the cutting clipped away a portion of the plate design. Under such clipping (into the design) the note is definitely marred.

A meaningless description of a piece of paper currency is to call it *crisp*. Since the Treasury began issuing paper money in 1861 there have been used over 50 different varieties of paper. Safety paper, onion skin, linen, rag mixture, cotton and hemp, all have been used in the paper for our currency. *Crisp* for all papers is nonsense — in some it would mean brittleness to a dangerous point. Then some papers can be treated with a glycerine sizing until a well-worn bill can be made crisp enough to crackle. To say a piece of currency is *crisp*, says little about its condition or desirability.

Undoubtedly the worst quality (about five different varieties) of paper used in our currency issues

was for the Federal Reserve Bank notes, series 1915-1918. This paper was very cheap and the inks used were poor. Explanation at that time was "there has been a war, and foreign supplies we need are unavailable."

So, here is another department of collecting which shows advantages for the paper currency devotee over the coin collector: the grading of condition. To us a piece of paper is *acceptable*, *fine*, *exceedingly fine*, or *uncirculated*. Coins seem to have a dozen degrees of fineness to confuse the collector — and each numismatic student and dealer has his own set of measures to apply.

In switching from coins to paper currency a number of years ago we held up to fellow collectors several points of our preference for paper: it carries handily in a small album or an inside coat pocket; carefully housed in cellulose containers, it can be passed around for the inspection and admiration of others without the usual risk getting nicked by dropping, or oxidizing from breath and fingerprints. And during years of display, it does not turn different shades at weather changes or become a tarnished proof between inspections. Paper money is easy to care for — about the only prohibition being not to let it stay out in the rain or strong sunshine too long at a time!

MINT SETS AVAILABLE

Until March 31, uncirculated 1955 coins are available from the Treasurer of the United States, Cash Division, Washington 25, D. C. in sets only, containing two of each of the coins, other than commemorative and proof coins, struck at the three mints. No halves were struck at Denver or San Francisco, no quarters or five cent pieces at San Francisco. Coins in less than complete sets and those of other years are not obtainable. Remit \$3.57 in the form of postal money order or certified personal check to the address above. This includes \$2.86 face value of coins, .06 postage, .15 insurance and .50 handling fee. There is a limit of one set per person. Personal checks that are not certified will be returned. The office cannot undertake to furnish coins free from tarnish or scratches, although the best uncirculated coins available are used in the sets.

1956 CHI-ANA CONVENTION: BOURSE AND AUCTION

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION members have come to regard the dealers' bourse and the auction as principal attractions of the annual convention. And with good reason, for the bourse affords an opportunity to talk with members from all over the country, to meet personally dealers who are known only through correspondence, and to shop around for wanted items. The auction, a little more formal in nature, allows the purchaser to set his own price through competitive bidding.

The aim of the convention committee, under the leadership of Glenn B. Smedley as general chairman, is to provide the best possible settings for the bourse and auction. To do that it has set aside the largest rooms available in the Congress Hotel and has planned their arrangement in such a manner as to make them convenient for everyone. High ceilinged and well lighted, each is equipped with an air conditioning system capable of maintaining cool comfort in the presence of hundreds of people.

The bourse is scheduled for the 5,000 square foot Gold Room. "Booths will be arranged so as to permit ample space in which to shop, visit and conduct spirited bargaining," says August F. Hausske, bourse chairman. A top limit of 47 bourse tables has been set and all have been reserved by nationally known dealers.

The auction will be conducted in the big and beautiful Florentine room. Although the listing of material is not complete, James Kelly of Dayton, Ohio, tells us the sale will feature the finest of coins, paper currency and other numismatic items and promises one of the superior auction catalogs for which he is noted.

Plan now to attend the CHI-ANA convention, Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill., Aug. 22 to 25, 1956. Besides the auction and bourse, it will feature top exhibits, an educational forum, short business sessions, banquet and entertainment, sightseeing, shopping, special diversions for the ladies, etc. Plan to be present for a memorable experience.

— HERBERT J. SHANER, JR.
Publicity Chairman



WHERE CHI-ANA THRONGS WILL GATHER



This is the Congress Hotel's spacious Gold Room where the bourse and the closing evening's banquet and entertainment will take place.



The Congress Hotel on Chicago's Michigan Ave. commands a magnificent view of Grant Park, colorful Buckingham fountain and Lake Michigan.

Top of the Clubs

Editor's note: The following items were selected from this month's club reports because of newsworthiness and general interest.

Atlanta Coin Club is to be congratulated on the consistently superior work of its secretary, Miss Margaret C. McAuley, whose club reports are received with great joy by the Editor. They are clearly typed, double spaced, concise, well organized and follow the style as set in the club reports section of *The Numismatist*. The Editor regrets he cannot say as much for many other reports which are carelessly typed, carbon copies of minutes, single spaced, too long, and lacking in appeal or interest.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association celebrated recently the anniversary of its founding in November, 1930, with a dinner complete with huge candle lighted birthday cake.

Los Angeles Coin Club broke its attendance record in December with 139 present.

Louisville Coin Club members heard Richard Kenney talk on "apocryphal" or unofficial coins of the world at the December meeting. Mr. Kenney is preparing a monograph on the subject.

Recently the members of several clubs have contrasted the holders in which U. S. mint sets and those of other countries (Canada, South Africa, etc.) are sent to collectors. The latest to see the differences are the **Maryland Numismatic Society** and the **Oklahoma City Coin Club**.

Members of **Missouri Numismatic Society** saw an elaborate display of odd and curious money at the December meeting. So did the **New Jersey Numismatic Society**.

Winners of the 1955 written papers contest of the **Pacific Coast Numismatic Society** are, first, Mrs. Harry Cutler, "The Days of Old, the Days of Gold, the Days of '49"; second, Mil-

ton Strauch, "History of the Lowlands Through Numismatics"; third, John E. Ohls, "Columbus." Cash awards of \$10, \$5 and \$2.50 were given. Interest was such that the contest will be repeated again this year.

Ralph Mitchell told the **San Jose Coin Club** about communion tokens recently.

Yap stone money came into its own again at the December gathering of the **Seattle Coin Club**.

West Tennessee Numismatic Society should be a good risk this year, with three bankers filling the offices of president, vice president and secretary.

The **Wichita Coin Club's** 100th meeting is next up.

Exhibit Oddments — Letter written by George Washington (Forrest Smith, Monroe County CC). Stellas, type sets, commemoratives, proof sets (Kenneth L. Nichols, Orange County CC). Scrapbook (Glenn B. Smedley, Hawthorne CC). Coins of the Stuarts (Bert Adams, St. Petersburg CC). Coins of Rome and Roman Egypt (David L. Davis, Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society). Paper money of 39 countries (Mr. Kirkwood, Western Reserve Numismatic Association). Japanese swords (G. R. L. Potter, Toronto CC). "Apocryphal" coins (Richard Kenney, Louisville CC). Unsigned U. S. \$500.00 bond (A. R. Feldman, New York Numismatic C). Babylonian clay tablet (Michael Granis, Brooklyn CC). Athenian tetradrachm forgery (M. R. Brown, Oklahoma City CC). Civil war store cards (Ernest Jonas, Chicago CC). Set of flying eagle and Indian cents (Roy T. Payne, Atlanta CC). Ming note (W. C. Blaisdell, New Jersey Numismatic Society). Kreuger coins (James Knight, Seattle CC). Silver assay bars (L. Tosky, Cincinnati Numismatic Association). U. S. bar cent (E. J. Cox, Rochester Numismatic Association). Foreign coins recovered from vending machines (Earl Parker, East Bay CC).

One hundred years ago the famous flying eagle cent made its bow.

CALENDAR MEDALS AND STORE CARDS

By

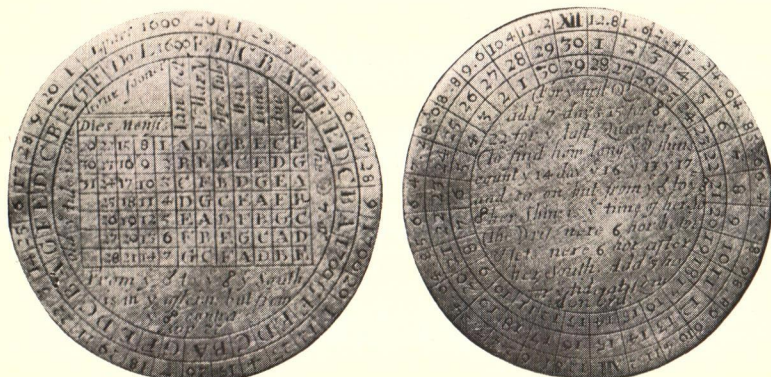
MELVIN AND GEORGE FULD

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(Continued from January issue)

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OBVERSE — A perpetual calendar engraved in 1690, in center the usual engraving for months and dates with early English engraving.



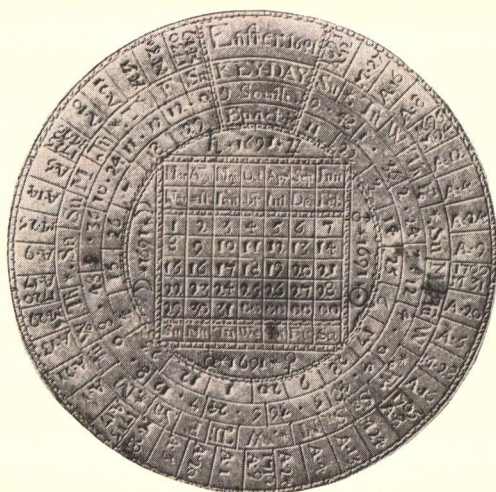
REVERSE — Three rows of concentric circles with dates in center FOR YE FIRST R/ ADD 7 DAYS; 15 FOR 8/ 22 FOR YE LAST QUARTER. / TO FIND HOW LONG YE first quarter SHINS/ COUNT YE 14 DAY YE 16 YE 13 YE 17/AND SO ON/ BUT FROM YE conjunction TO YE opposition HER SHIN: IS YE TIME OF HER SO/THE DRIF: NERE 6 HOR: BEFOR/ & SETS NERE 6 HOR AFTER/HER SOUTH: ADD 3 HO/ FOR YE TIDE AT LON:/ D ON BRD:

Size 32. Silver, plain edge.

D.1691.1

OBVERSE — Calendar for year 1691. In center in eight lines and seven rows days of month, months, and days of week. Four concentric circles. The outside one EASTER 1691, second circle KEY-DAY, third circle SOUTH new moon date by months, fourth circle EPACT.

REVERSE — Outside circle the Roman numeral corresponding to number



of month, month and number of days in each month. The balance of circles are citations from New Testament.

Size 42½. Metal brass. Plain edge.

D.1735.1

1735 calendar, copper, of large size 30. No further description available, Woodward 2894.

Size 30. Metal copper.

D.1743.1

1743 calendar, copper 26. No further description available, Woodward 2895.

Size 26. Metal copper.

D.1748.1

1748 calendar, brass 25. No further description available, Woodward 2896. Size 25. Metal brass.

D.1775.1

Anonymous 1775. Further information not available. Listed in Grant; England.

D.1778.1 – FRANCE

D.1779.1

OBVERSE – Above in three lines ALMANACH/POUR L'AN (year)/DIMANCHES DE L'ANNEE. Below SEPTUAGESIE (date) JANVIER/CENDRES (date and month)/ DAQUE (date) AVRI At left *FETE DIEU (date) JUIN/ AVENT (date) NOV * in two lines. At right ASCENSION (date) MAI */ DENTE COTE (date and month) * In center a calendar of seven columns and six lines. In lower right corner EPACTE (number).



REVERSE – Above LOUIS XVI/NE LE 23 AOUT 1754 MA AN/D'AUTR NEE LE 2 NOVEMB 1755 in three lines. Below in three lines PRINT 20 MARS ETE 21 JUIN / AUTUM 22 SEPT HIVER/ 21 DECEMBRE. At left in three lines LETTRE DOMINICALE (letter)/ INDICATION ROM ./ * (number) * At right in two lines CYCLE DU * (number), /NOMBRE D'OR (number). In center in twelve lines and three columns is recorded the length of each month, and dates for new and full moons.

Size 25. Metals, copper and brass. Plain edge.

YEARS KNOWN

1778 – Copper

1779 – Brass

(Note: On the 1779 piece in the authors' collection, instead of *FETE DIEU on the obverse, it reads TETE DINU.)

D.1801.1

OBVERSE – Around edge PERPETUUM CALENDAR FUM with opening.



In center to left knight in armor with lances beside which are symbols of day, to right SONT:/MONT:/DIEST:/MITW:/DONN:/FREYT:/SONAT:/ arranged

in five lines aligning up with days of month 1 through 31 on movable part. Above ANNO/ below 1801/

REVERSE – Movable portion of calendar held together with a crude nut. Five concentric circles with six openings. Outside circle GOTT LEHRE NICH MEINE TAGE UI ZAHLEN DAS BOFE. UI LASFEIN DAS GUTE UIWAHLEN/ an opening through which can be seen the 12 zodiacal signs. Second circle DIESER MONAHAT HAT/ opening through which is listed JAN 31/FEB 28/ MART 31/APR 30/MAY 31/JUN 30/JUL 31/AUG 31/SEP 30/OCT 31/NOV 30/ DEC 31/-TAGE/. Third circle SONNEN AUFANG opening UHR through opening $3\frac{1}{2}/4/5/6/7/8/8\frac{1}{2}/8/7/6/5/4/-$ IHRE UNTERGANG opening UHR through this opening is seen numbers about 15° apart. Fourth circle TAGES LANGE opening through which is seen 10/12/14/16/17/10/14/12/10/8/7/8/10/12/14/ 16/17/16/14/12/10/8/7/8/10/12/ UND NACHS LANGE opening 90 degrees from other UHREN through this opening is seen the above numbers.

Size 30. Metal silver.

D.1805.1

OBVERSE – In center in three lines KALENDAR / AUF DAS JAHR / 1805 on a panel, with sun at left and moon at right. In six panels, two above and two below, and one at left and another at right, are the months January through June, with the names of each day. In the corners are important dates.



REVERSE – Months July through December arranged in columns in center with appropriate days. Around on circle are various figures.

Size $30\frac{1}{2}$. Metal copper. Plain edge.

(Similar in style to the Guillemard and Wurschbauer pieces, but not as attractive.)

D.1826.1

Anonymous 1826. Further information not available. Listed in Grant; England. This piece possibly N.R.O.2.

D.1828.1

Anonymous 1828. Further information not available. Listed in Grant; England.

D.1938.1

OBVERSE – Movable piece in center 1 through 31 in two lines and seven rows with radial lines above. In lower corner PAT. PEND. Below USE JAN. & FEB. IN ITALICS/ FOR LEAP YEAR (1940) ONLY / SIX YEAR / CALENDAR / 1938-1943 / PUT MONTH ABOVE YEAR. Below opening, years 1938-43. The stationary piece, visible through openings – above days of the week repeated five times with sun in black. Below, months repeated twice.

REVERSE – Blank.

Size 24. Metal brass. Plain edge.

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STRANGE MONEY OF THE WORLD

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JAPANESE GOLD OBAN

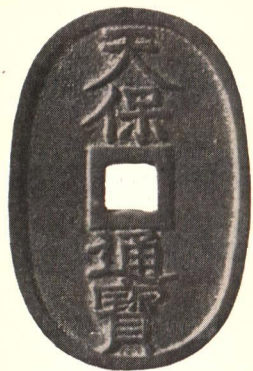
Asiatic Series No. 14

This oval gold coin of Japan is said to be the largest gold coin having a general circulation, and at the time of its issue it was worth \$55 in our currency. It was first issued between 1573-1592 A.D., and continued to be coined until about 1860.

JAPANESE TEMPO

Asiatic Series No. 15

The oval shaped coins illustrated, called *tempos*, were issued in Japan

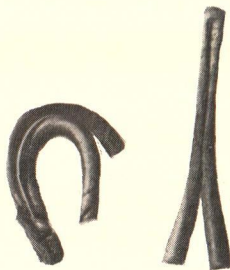


from 1835 until 1860 and over 500 million were coined. They were worth 100 *cash* each.

LARIN - FISHHOOK MONEY

Asiatic Series No. 16

The "fishhook" money of Ceylon consists of silver rods about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch thick which were bent, cut to the necessary length to give them the desired weight, and then stamped with a design or with Arabic or Persian legends. Their correct name is *larin*, derived from Lar, an important town in Laristan. This odd silver money is said to have appeared early in the 16th century, and about 1596 the Portuguese captured five elephants laden with them. They were



extensively used on the west coast of India and in Ceylon, being in circulation in the latter island until as late as 1800.

In the days when all minting machinery was scarce, the *larin* was a convenient coin. To meet the need for smaller change, a merchant could chisel off a piece of the *larin* and it was readily accepted by his creditors. Some counterfeits were made of silver plated copper rods, but test cuts quickly revealed this fraud.

Although the value of the *larin* fluctuated from time to time, it was usually worth from about 15 to 20 cents in our currency. Silversmiths frequently melted them down for use in their trade, and as a result specimens are now rather scarce.

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WHY COLLECT COMMEMORATIVES?

By

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IF WE were to ask a number of collectors this question, I believe we would get as many different answers as collectors asked; but if we were to analyze them I think they would fall into about three classes, possibly four, as follows: (1) for the pleasure of ownership; (2) for study; (3) for investment; (4) for all three reasons.

How typical of human nature to want to possess something different or unusual. It is a necessary lift to our ego to be able to say, "See what I have." As, witness the man with a new car, or perhaps a new suit, or even a coin who goes out to show it off to his friends, pointing out its fine points and boasting about its cost, its color, its design, etc., as if it were all his idea in the first place, and as if another one like it did not exist. Thus, the pleasure of possession is a powerful feeling that at times has driven men to ignoble deeds to satisfy it. Therefore, it is a plausible enough reason for collecting coins, and to some, no other reason is necessary.

The pleasures of acquiring a collection of commemorative coins is something that must not be overlooked. As the deer is to the hunter, or as the fish is to the fisherman, so is the commemorative coin to the collector of commemoratives. In these days, collecting commemorative coins is something like catching a frog . . . just when you think you are about to get one, it takes another jump, but if you are patient enough and keep trying long enough, eventually you will "bag" it and then there is nothing to do but to go after the next one.

To the student of numismatics goes the real value, and to him who approaches commemoratives through the door of study goes the greatest returns. Immediately there is opened to him not one but many avenues down which he can wander leisurely, satisfying his hunger for new knowledge, and, tiring of one coin, can turn to another, and still another, always finding something new and interesting. These "avenues" are . . . history, topics, symbolism, designers and engravers, counterfeits, and even counter-marked pieces.

History is the nature of these coins, and by their nature they compel a collector to turn to history to learn about them. Not only American history but also that of many other countries, at least those which influenced our own history, such as, Spain (in our discovery), France (in our fight for freedom and the Louisiana Purchase), England, Canada and Mexico (in establishing our borders), South America (Monroe doctrine), Russia (northwest expansion), etc. Not one piece can we inquire into without learning something about the history of our country.

Topics are among the greatest recommendations for collecting U. S. commemoratives. A complete collection is not necessary to display them attractively. They can be split up into many interesting topics such as ships, animals, statehoods, maps, soldiers, famous Americans, eagles, etc. Just a little digging can make any of these topics a most interesting program. Suppose, for instance, we were to speak to a group on

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U. S. commemoratives. We don't own a complete set but looking over what we do have we discover several with ships on them. On the Columbian there is the *Santa Maria*, on the Pilgrim it's the *Mayflower*, on the Huguenot-Walloon it's the *Nieu Nederland*, on the Hudson it's the *Half Moon*, and on the Delaware it's the *Kalmar Nyckel*. Each has an interesting story to tell if we but look for it. Suppose we chose animals for a topic, we find: a horse, a bear, oxen, a catamount, moose, a cow's head, a badger, a beaver and a calf.

Statehood pieces are other interesting topics: Illinois, Alabama, Missouri, California, Texas, etc. Also, how about expositions or world fairs? We have World's Columbian Exposition 1892-93, Paris Exposition of 1900, Louisiana Purchase Exposition 1904-05, Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition 1905, Panama Pacific International Exposition 1915, and others.

Symbolism on these coins is a rewarding study, albeit much neglected. Symbolism is a means of telling a story or conveying a meaning in a very minute way. As an example, the 2X2 on the Alabama is a means of telling people that Alabama was the 22nd state to be admitted to the union. The "X" is for the St. Andrews cross which is an important part of that state's coat of arms. Or, that 13 stars are symbolic of the 13 original states, that the anchor is the symbol of hope, the Cross of Christianity, the fasces a symbol of a united people, the olive branch or the dove as a symbol of peace. Look at the Maine half dollar. This is not an attractive piece — it is a very commonplace design, and yet an examination of it reveals some pertinent facts about this state almost entirely by symbols. The obverse design is, of course, the coat of arms of the state. The pine tree is symbolic of its great pine forests, for which it is called the Pine Tree state. Below the pine tree lies a moose, symbolic of the abundant wild game, the moose being very prolific. On either side of center stand two figures; one bear-

ing a scythe (symbolic of agriculture), the other holding to an anchor (symbolic of commerce). Thus, symbols tell us a story that could be represented in no other way in such a small space.

Designers and engravers of U. S. commemoratives can be an interesting phase of study of these pieces. The name Gutzon Borglum will ring a bell with most people whether or not they are interested in numismatics. Of our own numismatic family the name L. W. Hoffecker stands out. Some are famous men, some are famous women. One of our commemoratives was the result of the joint efforts of a husband and wife, both famous in their own rights — James E. and Laura Gardin Fraser.

These artists in bronze, silver and gold, portray our civilization in the act of making history and record it in metal for posterity. Who knows how many eons hence these pieces may be the best record of our civilization? A study of their other works will help us to better understand their designs on these coins.

Counterfeiting is not unheard of among U. S. commemoratives. As is the case of all the arts, if it appears profitable, someone is sure to try it. Eventually, of course, they all end up the same way — in Uncle Sam's big cooler. In the meantime, however, much harm has been done especially to the novice who by his inexperience is most likely to be taken in. However, some counterfeiting is so well done that even the "experts" are sometimes fooled. Every now and then there is much disagreement among collectors as to whether or not many of the "Grants with star" are fraudulent or genuine. Is it not, therefore, wise that the determined collector of these pieces should make an attempt to acquaint himself with the possibilities of being taken with a fraudulent piece? Some known to have been counterfeited are: Hawaiian, Grant with star, Missouri, Panama Pacific, and 1926 Oregon Trail.

Countermarked commemorative half dollars are almost entirely unheard of in spite of the fact that commemoratives change hands by

the thousands every day in the United States. So far as is known these countermarked pieces are confined to the Stone Mountain coins. This was contrived in a special sales campaign to move these pieces as well as to raise badly needed funds to complete the work of Gutzon Borglum on the Stone Mountain memorial in Georgia. It is reported that a small number were countermarked with a number and the name of the state in which they were to be sold. They were sold at auction to the highest bidder, some bringing as much as \$262.00. It is believed that this high original cost keeps them from being offered for sale.

I am convinced that those who make a study of commemorative coins profit much more than those who collect them for any other reason.

The collection of United States commemorative coins, however, purely for investment cannot be ignored. So much are they desired by collectors that the skyrocketing of prices has been no deterrent to demand. Often a collector is heard to say, "I think I'll let them slide for a while; prices are too high and everybody is buying them like mad. Maybe this craze will wear off and

prices will come down." Those who did this have long since wished the idea had never occurred to them or that they had ignored it.

Now the big questions seem to be, "Will these pieces go much higher?" "Where will they stop?" "Can I still safely collect these coins and be able to make a profit on them?" Prognostication should only be attempted by the experts. The future can only speak for itself, but at this time there appears to be some logic in the following reasoning: commemoratives, especially the coins in the best condition are becoming increasingly harder to obtain, the demand for them seems to be increasing day by day. Look at the lists of "Applicants for Membership" each month in *The Numismatist* and notice such statements as: "Foreign minor coins and U. S. commemoratives," or just "U. S. commemorative coins." I can only say each one interested in these coins must have his own reason for collecting them, and whether they are collected for the pleasure of ownership, or whether they are collected for study, or whether they are collected as an investment, or whether for all three reasons, I am convinced that you cannot do better than collect U. S. commemorative coins.

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COINAGE OF ROMAN EGYPT: A SURVEY

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CHAPTER II: THE GODS OF GREECE AND ROME

The gods and goddesses of the Greco-Roman pantheon appear regularly as reverse types on the coins of Alexandria. As would be expected in this center of Greek culture, the forms, attributes and names are always Greek, rather than Roman.

The deities are described in alphabetical order except for Zeus and Hera who, as the dominant divinities of the pantheon, head the list. Only those gods and goddesses found on the coins of Roman Egypt are included. In each instance, the identifying Greek name is followed by the divinity's Roman name in parentheses. Included in the descriptions are identifications with Egyptian gods, where such were made during Roman times.

Zeus (Jupiter) was father of the gods, and wielded supreme power. The thunderbolt and scepter are his most common attributes. First appearing on the coins of Nero, he rapidly became one of the commonest coin types. In Egypt he was usually identified with Sarapis, Ammon and Re. At Silsilis, he was identified with the god Nephotes. He was gradually superseded in importance, to some extent, by Sarapis. Later feeling that Zeus was perhaps no more than an aspect of Sarapis was best exemplified by the Emperor Julian's statement that Sarapis was "one with Zeus, Hades and Helios."

Hera (Juno) was consort of Zeus. In her own right, she was goddess of childbirth and special protector of women. In her Roman form of Juno, she has a particular interest to numismatists as the protector of

coin mintage. The Roman mint was established in her temple from earliest times. She was regarded as a strong-willed and jealous goddess. In Egypt she was often identified with the Egyptian divinities Sati (consort of Khnum), and with Mut (consort of Amen). Her only common representation is as a bust type of Hera Argeia, on the "games series" of tetradrachms of Nero. Her standing figure, accompanied by a peacock, occurs on a few extremely rare bronzes of Julia Domna, and on a unique tetradrachm of Crispina, in the author's collection.

Plate IX presents four varying bust types of Zeus, as they occur on tetradrachms. All are common except that of Antoninus Pius which depicts an upright thunderbolt before the bust. This last type is extremely rare. The Zeus Nemeios and Zeus Olympios types of Nero were issued as a part of his "games series." The plate is completed by two rare types of Zeus-Ammon. His standing figure on the half-drachma, is accompanied by the "hell hound" Kerberos, an assimilated attribute of Hades.

The upper row of Plate X presents Zeus seated, holding a thunderbolt, on a hitherto unpublished tetradrachm of Julia Domna, together with tetradrachms of Maximinus and Hadrian depicting Zeus seated and standing. The specific type of the Hadrian piece is extremely rare. The center row consists of drachmas of Antoninus Pius, showing Zeus seated, as well as Zeus reclining above an eagle with outstretched wings. Both types are quite common. Below these will be found a common tetradrachm of Nero, showing the bust of Hera

Argeia, and a unique tetradrachm of Crispina, depicting the standing figure of Hera, accompanied by a peacock.

Aphrodite (Venus) was the goddess of beauty and love. Popular as was her cult in Alexandria, she appears as a rare coin type only on coins of Marcus Aurelius and his family. In Egypt she was identified with the goddess Hathor.

Apollo (Apollo) was quite an important member of the pantheon, being not only a sun god, but patron

of music, arts, prophecy, and flocks and herds as well. Surprisingly, he is not one of the commoner coin types. Identified with the Egyptian Horus, he seems to have been constantly overshadowed by the native divinity. Although introduced early in the history of the Alexandrian coinage, by Nero, Apollo did not survive the reign of Antoninus Pius, as a coin type.

Plate XI shows the lone type of Aphrodite, on a tetradrachm of Faustina II, together with several

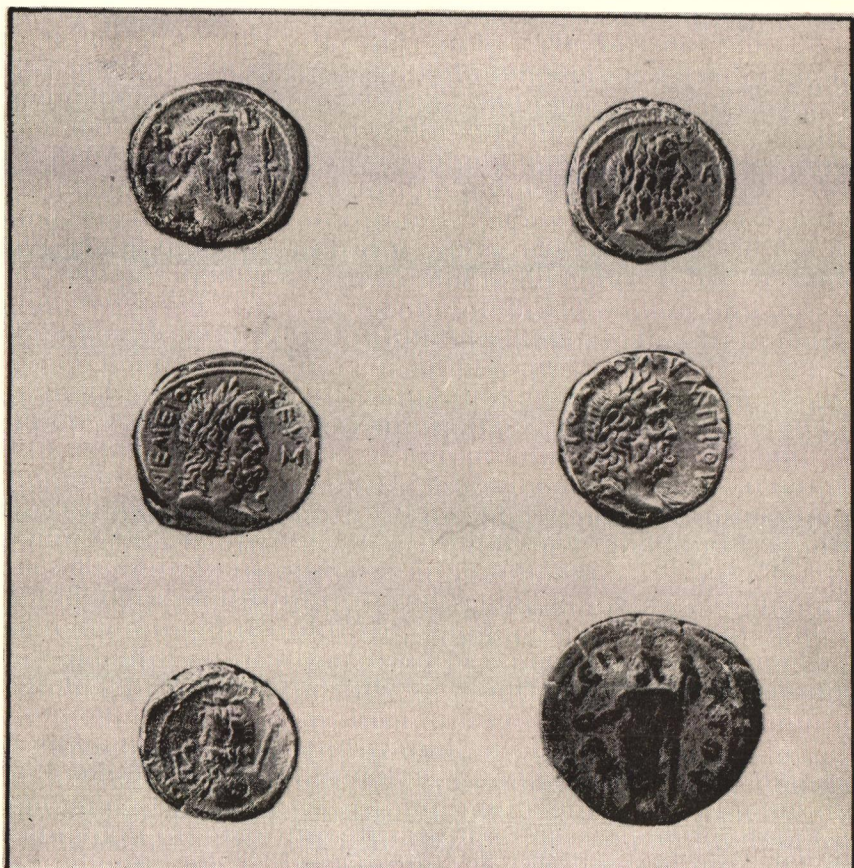


PLATE IX

Top row, Zeus bust and thunderbolt, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius; Zeus bust, tetradrachm, Philip I.

Middle row, Zeus Nemeios bust, tetradrachm, Nero; Zeus Olympios bust, tetradrachm, Nero.

Bottom row, Zeus-Ammon bust, tetradrachm, Gordian III; Zeus-Ammon and ram, half-drachma, Antoninus Pius.

types of Apollo. The three tetradrachms of Nero depict successively the bust of Apollo, the bust of Apollo Aktios, and the bust of Apollo Pythios. All are common. The last two types form a part of the "games series." On the last row will be seen a tetradrachm of Pius depicting Apollo Didymaios standing (facing forward), and a drachma of the same issuer, showing Apollo Didymaios standing between the Nemeseis. This last type is quite rare.

Ares (Mars) was the god of war. As might be expected, his representations on the coinage were quite frequent, and extended over a long period of time. Although not appearing till the reign of Trajan, Ares then continued rather regularly as a coin type till the coinage was discontinued by the reforms of Diocletian. His commonest representation is as a standing figure. In Egypt, Ares was assimilated to the warrior god Horus of Sebennytyos, an ancient native divinity. On the coin

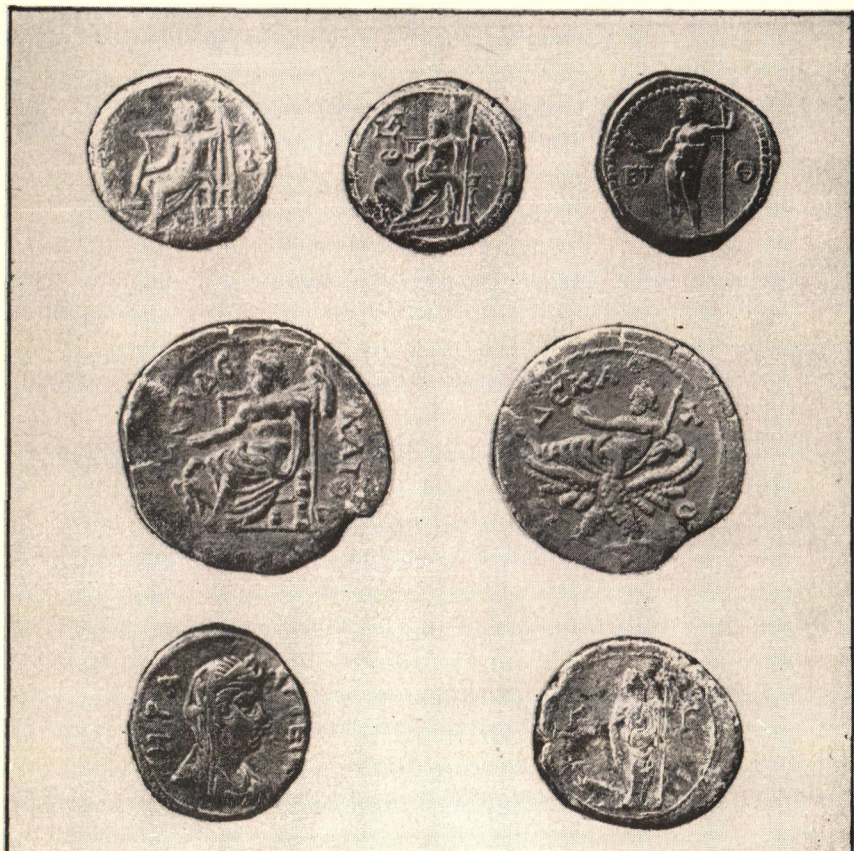


PLATE X

Top row, Zeus seated holding thunderbolt, tetradrachm, Julia Domna; Zeus seated, holds patera, tetradrachm, Maximinus; Zeus standing, holds thunderbolt, tetradrachm, Hadrian.

Middle row, Zeus seated, drachma, Antoninus Pius; Zeus reclining over eagle, drachma, Antoninus Pius.

Bottom row, Hera Argeia bust, tetradrachm, Nero; Hera standing with peacock, tetradrachm, Crispina.

types, however, the "foreign" type prevails.

Artemis (Diana) was variously worshipped as moon-goddess, divinity of the chase, and patroness of youth. The coinage portrays her only as huntress goddess, with a single type, on coins of Trajan, Hadrian and Pius. These coins are all rather scarce. Her Egyptian identifications were with the goddesses Bastet and Pakhet, although their influences were lacking in her coinage type.

Plate XII shows Ares standing, on tetradrachms of Aurelius and Claudius II. The first of these is extremely rare. Below these will be found drachmas of Pius and Trajan, depicting the advancing figure of Ares, on that of Pius, while the coin of Trajan shows Ares standing with Athene. In the lowest register will be found a rare tetradrachm of Pius, with Ares seated on a cuirass, together with a common tetradrachm of the same emperor, depicting Artemis running.

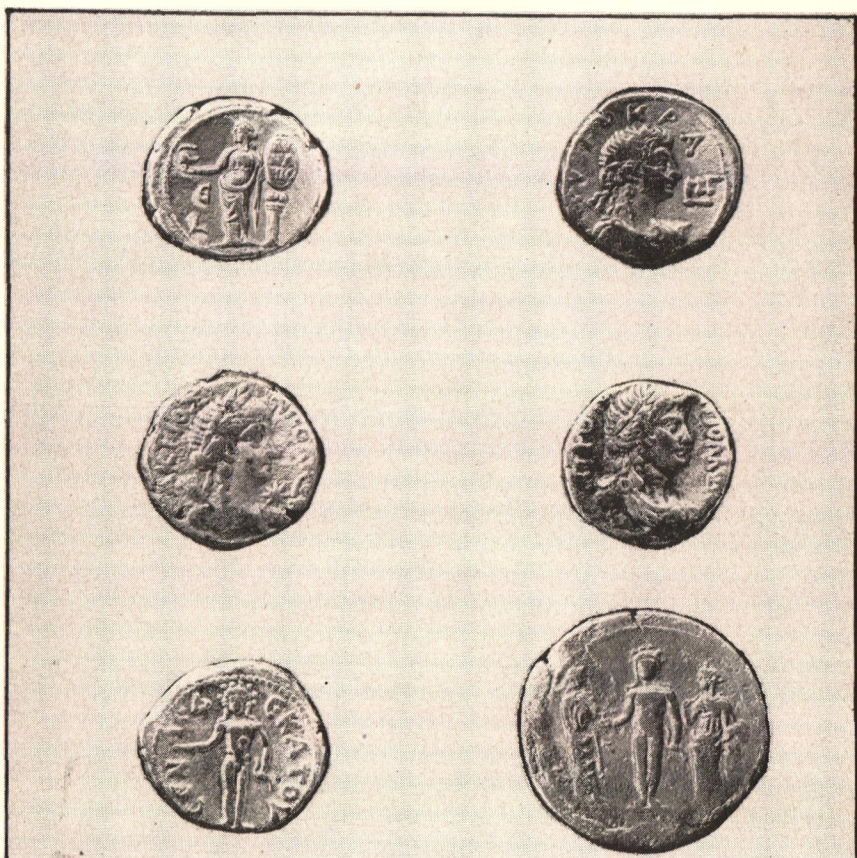


PLATE XI

Top row, Aphrodite standing, tetradrachm, Faustina II; Apollo bust, tetradrachm, Nero.

Middle row, Apollo Aktios bust, tetradrachm, Nero; Apollo Pythios bust, tetradrachm, Nero.

Bottom row, Apollo Didymaios standing, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius; Apollo Didymaios between Nemeseis, drachma, Antoninus Pius.

Asklepios (Aesculapius) was the god of healing and medicine. As such, he had a very important position in Alexandria, where healing was a significant aspect of the philosophical development of religion. His history as a coin type closely parallels that of Ares, although he first appears one reign later, on issues of Hadrian. He is usually shown standing beside an altar. The Egyptians identified him with Imhotep, a deified vizier and wise man of the early dynastic period. The pan-

theistic Sarapis usually incorporates attributes of Asklepios.

Athene (Minerva) was goddess of wisdom and war strategy, of arts, and (in Alexandria, at least) was guardian of equity in commerce. Her attributes on the Alexandrian coinage were many and varied. She was the goddess who was perhaps most commonly represented as a coin type. Introduced by Augustus, in his fortieth Alexandrian year, she persisted till Diocletian's reform. Athene was particularly important



PLATE XII

Top row, Ares standing, foot on cuirass, tetradrachm, Marcus Aurelius; Ares standing, tetradrachm, Claudius II.

Middle row, Ares advancing, drachma, Antoninus Pius; Ares and Athene standing, drachma, Trajan.

Bottom row, Ares seated on cuirass, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius; Artemis running, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius.

to the Egyptians, due to the persistent legend that Athens had originally been founded as a colony of the Egyptian city of Sais. Hence Athene was usually identified with the goddess Neith of Sais. A less common identification was with Taur of Oxyrhynchos.

The first three coins of Plate XIII show types of Asklepios. His standing figure appears on a tetradrachm and on a drachma both of Severus Alexander. His bust is shown as it

appears on a drachma of Hadrian. The remaining three coins of Plate XIII show the bust of Athene from a tetradrachm of Severus Alexander, Athene seated with a small figure of Nike, as depicted on a tetradrachm of Gallienus, and Athene standing holding a figure of Nike, as depicted on a drachma of Hadrian.

Plate XIV continues the types of Athene. A very rare tetradrachm of Gordian I shows the standing Athene holding spear and shield. On a drachma of Hadrian, she holds



PLATE XIII

Top row, Asklepios standing by altar, tetradrachm, Severus Alexander; Asklepios standing by altar, drachma, Severus Alexander.

Middle row, Asklepios bust, tetradrachm, Volusian; Athene bust, tetradrachm, Severus Alexander.

Bottom row, Athene seated holding Nike, tetradrachm, Gallienus; Athene standing holding Nike, drachma, Hadrian.

corn ears and shield. Below these are two tetradrachms of Pius, showing Athene of Sais holding an owl and a shield, and Athene Stathmia with scales and cornucopiae. The plate is completed by two extremely rare pieces. The drachma of Trajan depicts Athene standing between an altar and a column which supports a bust of Zeus. The half-drachma of Pius portrays the standing figure of Athene-Tyche.

Demeter (Ceres) was goddess of corn production. She was a popular

coin type during the empire's first two centuries, but disappears after the reign of Antoninus Pius. The commonest type is of her standing figure, holding torch and corn ears. She was occasionally identified with the Egyptian goddess Isis.

Dionysos (Bacchus) one of antiquity's theological paradoxes, was (among other things) god of fertility in nature, god of wine, and patron of wanderers and adventurers. He enjoyed some prominence in Egypt, as protector of the Diony-



PLATE XIV

Top row, Athene standing with spear and shield, tetradrachm, Gordian I; Athene standing with corn ears and shield, drachma, Hadrian.

Middle row, Athene of Sais holding owl and shield, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius; Athene Stathmia with scales and cornucopiae, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius.

Bottom row, Athene standing between altar and Zeus-bust on column, drachma, Hadrian; Athene-Tyche standing, half-drachma, Antoninus Pius.

siac artists at Alexandria. A rare issue of drachmas of Pius depicts his bust, while somewhat more common coins of Trajan and Hadrian show his reclining figure in a car drawn by two panthers.

The first row of Plate XV shows the bust of Demeter on a tetradrachm of Pius, and the standing figure of Demeter on a tetradrachm of Hadrian. Both types are quite common. In the second row will be found two extremely rare coin reverses. A half-drachma of Pius

shows the standing figure of Demeter, while a drachma of Trajan depicts Demeter standing with Euthenia, on either side of a decorative column. The third row begins with an obol of Domitian which has the unusual type of the head of Demeter upon the body of a uraeus serpent. Only one other specimen of this coin is known to me. The plate is completed by a rather common drachma of Trajan which portrays Dionysos reclining in a panther-drawn car.

The Dioskouroi (Dioscouri) had a

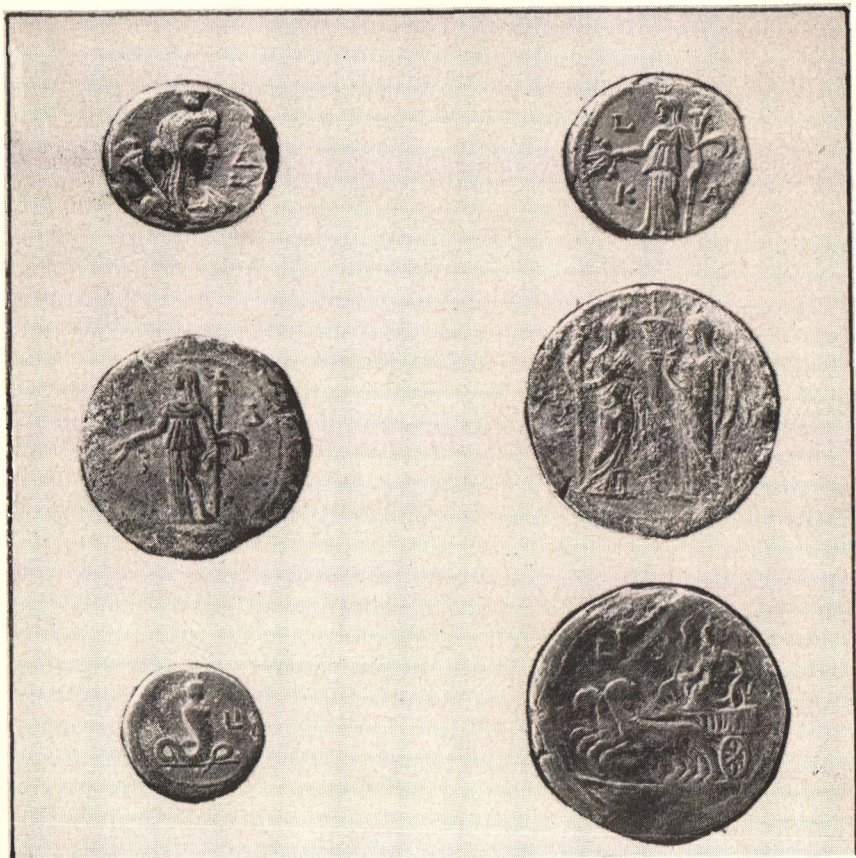


PLATE XV

Top row, Demeter bust, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius; Demeter standing, tetradrachm, Hadrian.

Middle row, Demeter standing, half-drachma, Antoninus Pius; Demeter and Euthenia, standing by column, drachma, Trajan.

Bottom row, Demeter head on uraeus body, obol, Domitian; Dionysos in car drawn by panthers, drachma, Trajan.

position in Egypt that differed somewhat from that in the Greco-Roman world. In Alexandria they seem to have been worshipped principally as gods of the sea and of navigation. As such, they were often associated with Isis Pharia. No identification seems to have been made with purely Egyptian gods. Introduced as a coin type by Trajan, they last occurred on a rare issue of Commodus.

Eos (Aurora), goddess of the dawn, enjoyed only ephemeral popularity at the Alexandrian mint. She is found only as a single type of Marcus Aurelius and his family. She was not identified with any Egyptian goddess.

Helios (Sol), the sun god, is usually depicted wearing a radiate crown. He is not found as a coin type until the reign of Hadrian, but appears rather regularly thereafter, through the reign of Diocletian. His popularity at the mint seemed to vary with the general popularity of the solar cult at the imperial court. In Egypt he was identified with Horus, and during later reigns, with Hermanubis.

Plate XVI shows the reverses of drachmas of Trajan and Hadrian, both of which portray the Dioskouroi. On the coin of Trajan, they hold the bridles of horses, which are seen in the background. These pieces are followed by an unpublished drachma of Lucius Verus which portrays a haloed Eos holding a spirited dawn-horse. To the right of this piece is a tetradrachm of Hadrian showing a conventional bust of Helios. The lowest row of the plate consists of two tetradrachms. That of Severus Alexander (as Caesar) shows the bust of the compound Helios-Hermanubis. The extremely rare coin of Pius shows the jugate busts of Helios and Selene.

Herakles (Hercules) was a popular hero of Greek mythology who had been awarded divinity after a lifetime of incredible exploits. Introduced by Domitian as a coin type, he occurs sporadically through a period ending with the reign of Septimius Severus. After remaining dormant for nearly 100 years, the type was revived for tetra-

drachm reverses of Maximian. Herakles was identified with Harpokrates, in Egypt. (A beautiful series of coin types depicting the labors of Herakles will be treated in the chapter "Mythology and the Zodiac.")

Hermes (Mercury) was given an amazingly heterogeneous group of attributes by the ancients, being patron of artists, travelers, merchants, orators and thieves as well as serving as messenger of the gods. Although found sporadically from Hadrian to Diocletian as a coin type, his representations are generally quite rare. In Egypt he was identified with Anubis, and is usually represented by the compound form of Hermanubis. He was also identified with the Egyptian gods Thoth and Pautnuphis.

Hygieia (Salus) was goddess of health, safety and welfare. On the coinage, she is usually associated with Asklepios. The only known representations of Hygieia alone, occur during Severus Alexander's reign on very rare bronze drachmas, and on drachmas of Hadrian's nineteenth year, of which only two are known. These coins of Hadrian were struck from dies executed by two different artists, although the basic type is the same. One of the two known specimens, illustrated in the present article, is hitherto unpublished. In Egypt, Hygieia was identified with the goddess Hathor.

Kybele (Cybele), mother of the gods, originated in the Orient. She was always depicted on the Alexandrian coinage seated between two lions. During the reign of Pius she was a rather common type, but is encountered only as a rarity on the coinage of Trajan, Marcus Aurelius, Septimius Severus and Caracalla.

Pan (Pan) was a rustic god of the hills and of shepherds and herds. He was considered to have a lustful and goatish character. He is found as an Alexandrian coin type only on the tiny dichalka of Hadrian's eleventh year. He was sometimes identified with the Egyptian god Min, warden of the desert from very ancient times.

On Plate XVII will be found two types of Herakles standing, as they occur on tetradrachms of Maximian.

The center row shows the very rare type of Hermes standing, as it occurs on a tetradrachm of Gallienus, and the unpublished drachma of Hadrian (discussed above), depicting Hygieia feeding an agathodaemon serpent which rests upon a column. Below these will be found a drachma of Pius showing Kybele seated between lions, and a dichalkon of Hadrian with the type of Pan advancing.

Poseidon (Neptune) was god of the sea. Nero used the bust type

of Poseidon Isthmios, as a part of his "games series" of tetradrachms. Somewhat rarer coin types of Poseidon occur from time to time under Hadrian and the "adoptive emperors" until early in the reign of Marcus Aurelius. A brief revival occurs during the three year period which ended the reign of Gallienus and inaugurated that of Claudius II. These last are quite scarce.

Selene (Luna) was goddess of the moon and of the arts of magic. She was closely associated with Helios,



PLATE XVI

Top row, Dioskouroi standing with horses, drachma, Trajan; Dioskouroi standing, drachma, Hadrian.

Middle row, Eos (haloed) with horse, drachma, Lucius Verus; Helios bust, tetradrachm, Hadrian.

Bottom row, Helios-Hermanubis bust, tetradrachm, Severus Alexander (Caesar); Helios and Selene busts, tetradrachm, Antoninus Pius.

and had approximately the same history as a coin type. With a single exception, the coins depict her bust only, rather than her full figure. Frequently, her bust is found jugate with that of Helios.

Triptolemos (Triptolemos) was stimulator of corn growth, and distributor of corn seed. His single coin type depicts him in a car drawn by two winged serpents, holding a sack of seeds. He occurs infrequently during the reigns of the adoptive emperors, from Hadrian

through Marcus Aurelius, is then revived under Philip, and emerges for the last time as a rare type of the last year of Diocletian. He was identified with the Egyptian Osiris.

At the top of Plate XVIII will be found the bust of Poseidon Isthmios on a tetradrachm of Nero, and the standing figure of Poseidon on a tetradrachm of Gallienus. These are followed by the bust of Selene, as it occurs on tetradrachms of Hadrian and Otacilia Severa. This last piece is heretofore unpublished. The plate

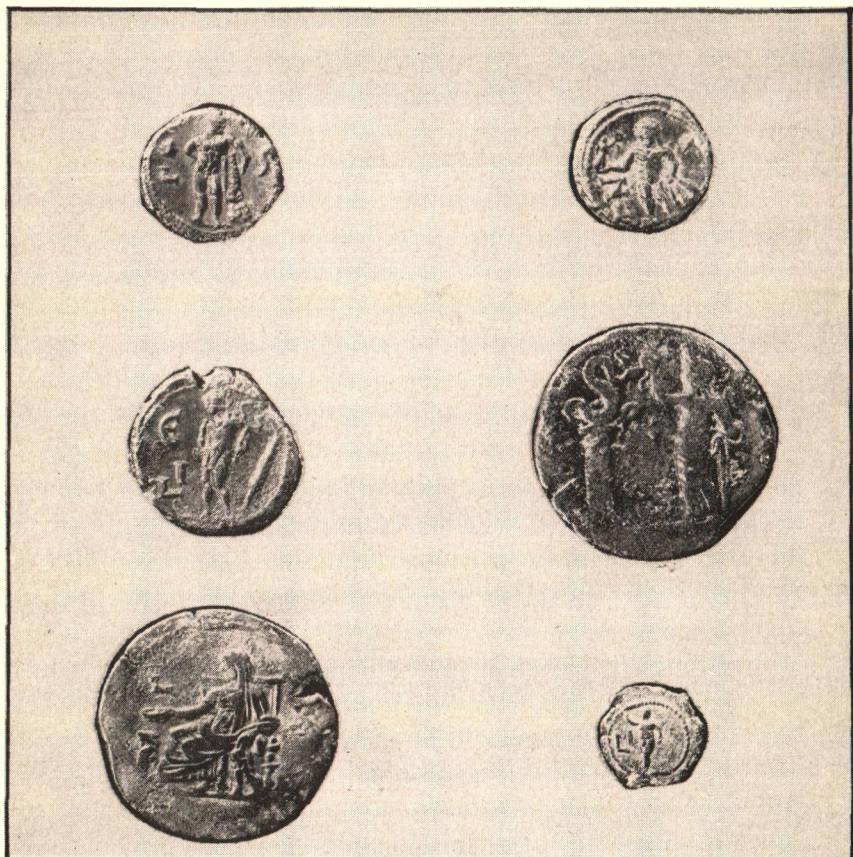


PLATE XVII

Top row, Herakles standing, rests club on rock, tetradrachm, Maximian; Herakles standing, holds Nike, tetradrachm, Maximian.

Middle row, Hermes standing, tetradrachm, Gallienus; Hygieia feeding, Agathodaemon on column, drachma, Hadrian.

Bottom row, Kybele seated between lions, drachma, Antoninus Pius; Pan advancing, dichalkon, Hadrian.



PLATE XVIII

Top row, Poseidon Isthmios bust, tetradrachm, Nero; Poseidon standing tetradrachm, Gallienus.

Middle row, Selene bust, tetradrachm, Hadrian; Selene bust, tetradrachm, Otacilia Severa.

Bottom row, Triptolemos in car drawn by serpents, tetradrachm, Hadrian; Triptolemos in car drawn by serpents, drachma, Faustina Jr.

is completed by two representations of Triptolemos in a car drawn by serpents. The first is from the reverse of a tetradrachm by Hadrian, while the second is from a drachma of Faustina Jr.

(To be continued)

Hidden Nickel — With the exception of pure nickel coinage which is used in several countries the average person seldom sees nickel in its pure state, as it serves man most generally when alloyed, or "mixed," with other metals such as in stainless steels.

How the Japanese government kept a record of the paper money it had issued and withdrawn is told in this brief but detailed discussion of a specialized subject.

NOTES ON EAST ASIAN NUMISMATICS: Japanese "*Kinsatsu*" and Their Counterfoils

By

H. F. Bowker

DURING the earliest years of the Meiji period, 1868-1911, the Japanese government resorted to the issue of paper currency to pay the extraordinary expenses incurred in the suppression of the civil wars and in the reorganization of the country's internal administrative system. A total of 73,325,444 *yen* in paper currency was issued, an enormous sum for a country just emerging from feudalism and a period of over 250 years of almost total seclusion from intercourse with foreign countries.

Prior to the Meiji restoration there was no universal Japanese paper currency. Fiat paper currency had been issued by the many petty *diamyos*, or feudal princes, for circulation within the limited territories which each controlled. It has been estimated that there were 1694 different varieties in circulation in 1868⁷⁷³. These were termed *han-satsu* or clan notes, and having been overissued and being without reserves, they were of virtually no value. The central government's notes which superseded them were termed *kinsatsu*.

It is understood that the *kinsatsu* notes were printed by the firm of Dondorf of Frankfurt am Main, Germany, in the denominations of 100, 50, 20, 10, five, two and one *yen*, and subsidiary values of one-half

yen, 20 and 10 *sen*, but the 20 *yen* value was never placed in circulation. Ramsden⁶⁰⁷ states that notes of the value of two and one-half *yen* were issued, and Takaki Masayoshi in his *History of Japanese Paper Currency*⁷⁷³ mentions one of the value of five *sen* being issued, but I have nowhere found any confirmation of either of these statements.

The accompanying illustration reproduces the obverse and reverse of the lowest denomination, the 10 *sen*, together with one of the original counterfoil records of the 10 *yen* value [A]. This particular sheet was selected for reproduction as it is the only one among the seven different denominations in my collection which shows that when for any reason one of the notes was not issued no entry at all was made in the space corresponding to its serial number [B]. My collection contains similar sheets for the following values: 10, five, two, one, one-half *yen*, and 20 *sen*, and one of an undetermined denomination.

The serial numbers of the notes are printed only on the reverses, and consist of a combination of two or three *hira gana* characters at the right followed by a numerical notation. As the *hira gana* symbols number 50, many different combinations are obtainable. These correspond to the alphabetical portion of note serial numbers found on paper currency of western nations.

This series of paper currency was the first of Japan in which the values were designated in *yen* and *sen*. Interest bearing notes had previously been issued by the Meiji

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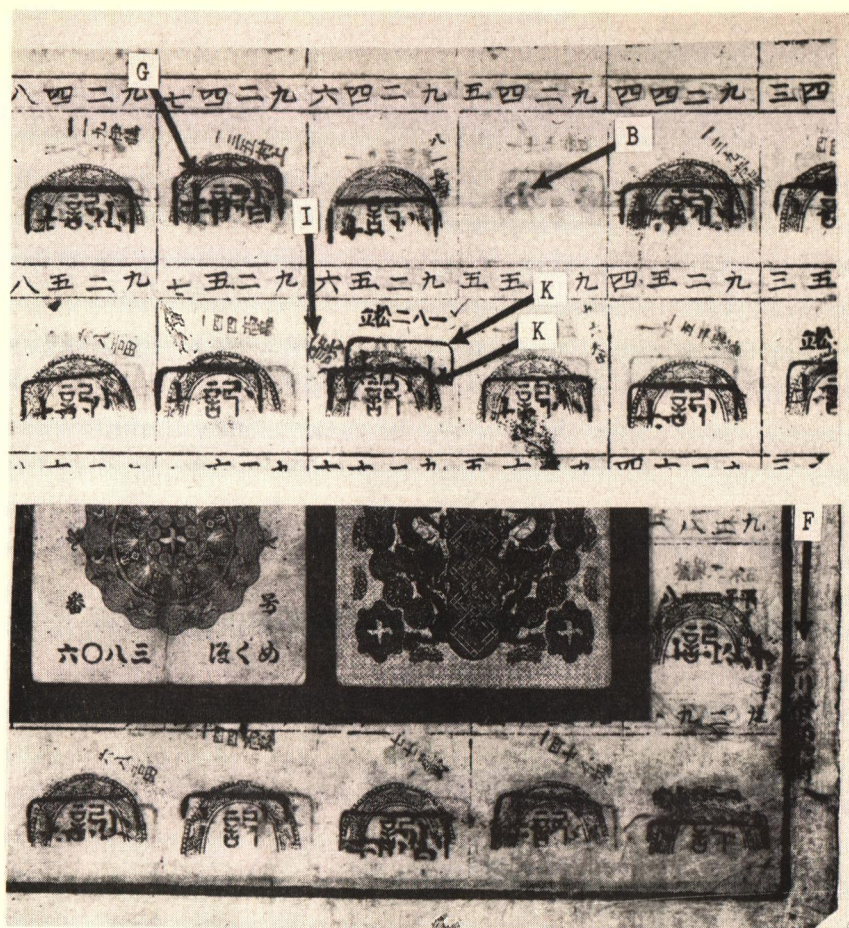
government, but they were retired after a short time and were superseded by these inconvertible non-interest bearing notes, termed *shin-shi-hei*, or "new paper money."

The government issues prior to these were termed: 1. *dai-jo kwan-satsu* (government notes); 2. *min-bu sho-satsu* (civic department notes); 3. *o-kura-sho dakkwan-sho-*

ken (treasury department convertible notes); 4. *kai-taku-shi dakkwan-sho-ken* (colonial department convertible notes). The low denominations of the "new paper money" were all the same size, 54x89 mm., while the highest values measured 107x168 mm. Owing to their similarity in size and design it was found that they were susceptible to being



Japanese counterfoil, reduced from actual size of 12½ inches by 16¼ inches. Inset, 10 sen denomination, obverse and reverse.



Details of the counterfoil.

tampered with and raised. They were also printed on an inferior quality of paper which did not wear well in circulation. They were therefore withdrawn and superseded by other notes termed *kai-ryo shi-hei* (improved paper money) after a few years.

Henry A. Ramsden had but two similar counterfoil sheets in his collection, and published a few particulars regarding them together with an excellent collotype reproduction of one of the one-half *yen* denomination in the May 1913 issue of *The Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan*⁶⁰⁷, but did not state what the denomination of his second sheet was.

From these counterfoil records interesting particulars regarding the accounting methods employed can be ascertained. Both sides of the sheets were used, making spaces for recording 200 notes on each sheet. The black outline rules, measuring 30 x 36.5 cm., were printed from woodblocks by hand, together with the zeros of the serial numbers [C]. The latter always appear in the same position in the upper horizontal and the left hand vertical rows of all sheets. The *hira gana* serial characters [D], denominations [A], and basic characters of the Meiji year and month [E] were usually stamped in the upper margins, but only on the recto

pages. The specific numerals indicating the year, month, and day of issue were inserted by hand with a brush [E]. The individual characters of the serial numbers, excepting only the zeros, which had already been printed as stated above, were also handwritten. However, there was an exception to this routine. The two *yen* sheet only has its serial numbers printed entirely in type. As this sheet has the latest date on it, Meiji 11th year first month, sixth day [6 January 1878] it seems that the inserting of the serial numbers by hand was found to be too laborious a task and this revised method of numbering was adopted. Incidentally, all the serial numbers, excepting only those on the two *yen* denomination have four numerals [C], while the two *yen* serial numbers have six numerals.

It seems likely that two separate records were made on similar sheets when the notes were issued, these being identified by the colors used in stamping the oval seals, reading *sen to*, at the upper left margin of each side of the notes, the obverse seal being in green ink and the reverse seal in blue ink. Each individual note was placed below its correspondingly numbered square and was struck with the inked *sen to* seal so that approximately half of each impression appeared on the note and the balance on the counterfoil sheet. The one and five *yen* seals on the counterfoil sheets are in green (obverses) and the others are in blue (reverses). The name of the official who was responsible for the counterfoil record of the issue of the notes appears at the bottom of the right hand margin of the sheets, sometimes stamped and at other times handwritten [F].

When the notes were withdrawn from circulation their seals were matched with their original complementary impressions on the tally sheets and their genuineness thus established at a glance. It is presumed that this process was repeated with the reverses as well as with the obverses. Then a black impression of a square chop with rounded corners, measuring 20 x 20

mm., containing the two characters *shokyaku* (cancelled) [G] was applied with approximately half appearing on the note and the balance on the tally sheet, thus recording the withdrawal of the note from circulation and effectually preventing its being placed in circulation again. A second impression of a smaller stamp in red or black ink was also placed in the square [H]. They appear to be serial numbers consisting of numerals combined with two additional characters for the name of the clerk who made the record. Those in black read horizontally while those in red ink read vertically. As the identical serial number, 182, appears ten times on the sheet reproduced herewith, and as other similar serial numbers also are repeated several times on the other sheets, it is presumed that these serial numbers apply to all the notes of each lot turned in for cancellation. The appearance of the identical supplemental name characters together with different serial numbers, 198, seems to confirm this.

There are a few instances where square impressions are double [K]. In each case, in addition to the usual straight line stamp, there is another circular seal seven millimeters in diameter in red ink containing the single character *go* [I], indicating an error had been made in stamping the first square chop and annulling the erroneous record.

Two sheets, those of the one-half *yen* and 20 *sen* denominations, have *hira gana* characters corresponding to the *hira gana* portion of the serial numbers on the notes, which appear at the right hand top and bottom of the notes' reverses repeated by means of red stamps along the right hand margins of the sheets at the end of the second or third line of the counterfoils. These presumably were applied to facilitate ready reference to the proper sheet when the notes were to be cancelled, as the sheets were bound into books along the upper margins, thus obscuring these characters.

One sheet only, that of the one *yen* denomination, has the date of issue written in the old style cyclical

manner for the ninth year of the 76th cycle. This is the earliest date of issue, 1872. The other denominations were issued in the years 1874 (three), 1875 (one), 1878 (one), and one undated. The latter sheet also lacks any indication of the denomination for which it was used.

Only 22 of the 1400 notes recorded on this set of sheets remained unredeemed, or one and one-half percent, as follows: one *yen*, seven; 50 *sen* and undetermined denomination, five each; 20 *sen*, 4; 10 *yen*, one; two and five *yen*, none. This is indicative of the scarcity of them in collectors' hands.

Note: Letters [A] to [K] refer to arrows in the plate. Figures of three digits refer to the accompanying bibliography and *A Numismatic Bibliography of the Far East*, Numismatic Notes and Monographs No. 101, published by the American Numismatic Society, New York.

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CALIFORNIA CONVENTION

The seventeenth semi-annual convention of the California State Numismatic Association was held in San Diego, Cal., November 10-13, 1955. The San Diego Numismatic Society was host, Francis S. Jones being general chairman.

The convention was very well attended, registrations being 205. This does not include a large number of local casual visitors, many of whose first request was to see the McDermott 1913 Liberty nickel. This specimen had had good advance publicity on radio and television, as had the entire convention. Attendance at the banquet was 196. The dealers' bourse in charge of Eugene D. Johnston consisted of 25 tables. The auction conducted by Leo Young realized good prices. The exhibits were extensive and varied, 32 members making displays. Material

shown ran from ancient coins to those current, as well as paper money, medals and orders and other specialties. A numismatic forum featured Dr. Nathan A. Bowers and Dr. Ray H. Wilson, the latter giving an unusual talk on the coinage of Newfoundland, illustrated with slides.

Various special events included a trip to Tijuana, Mexico, to view the jai-alai games, a sight-seeing trip through San Diego, a boat trip around the harbor, a visit to the San Diego zoo and special luncheons.

The 1956 spring convention will be held at the Hotel Sainte Claire, San Jose, April 19-22. The 1956 fall convention is planned for Santa Barbara, with dates to be decided later. 1957 conventions are planned for Vallejo and Long Beach.

THE TOKEN COLLECTOR'S PAGE

by

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Collectors who can supply additional information on any of the tokens, either published or unpublished, are cordially invited to write the authors, Melvin Fuld, 5610 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore 9, Md., or George Fuld, 58 Pleasant St., Brookline 46, Mass.

Hard Times Token

Obverse: PERISH CREDIT. PERISH COMMERCE. Boar running to left



MY THIRD HEAT in two lines on boar's body. MY VICTORY in two lines above boar. DOWN WITH THE BANK 1834 below boar in three lines. The snout of the boar points to the 'C' of CREDIT.

Reverse: *MY SUBSTITUTE* FOR THE U.S. BANK around edge. Small military bust of Jackson with broad shoulders in center. Head is turned slightly to the left. MY EXPERIMENT MY CURRENCY MY GLORY in six parallel lines.

Copper, size 18, edge plain, No. 1, border No. 4, struck about 1834—listed as Low 168.

This piece is a mule of the reverse of Low 8 with the obverse of Low 10, and is identical to Low 11, but struck in copper. Although very few specimens of this type are known, one can presume that more are around, but have not been noticed because of the similarity to Low 10. The only specimen sold publicly in recent years was in a New Netherlands Coin Co. 44th sale, Lot 969, where it brought \$92.50.

NL—Low 168—HT—14—Cu—18—P. No. 1, bd No. 4—R9.

Baltimore, Md.

Obverse: O'BRIEN'S above, 303 SECOND ST. in center *BALTO.* below.



Reverse: 2½ in very large letters over a circle of rays.

Nickel, size 15, edge plain No. 1, border No. 5, struck about 1888. Adams Md 104, Duffield 93.

This is a rebate check popular with restaurateurs and innkeepers at the turn of the century; 2½ cents was usually given with a single drink at 15 cents and were redeemable at the issuer's place of business.

Thomas J. O'Brien was one of Baltimore's best known restaurateurs from 1873 till his death in 1898. He had four establishments:

(1) 1873 to 1885 located at 22 German St. (Now Redwood St. No tokens known for this address.)

(2) 1885 to 1888 located at 5 South Liberty St. Issued token similar to that one shown only different address. See Adams Md 103, Duffield 92.

(3) 1888 to 1890 located at 303 Second St. Issued token illustrated for this address.

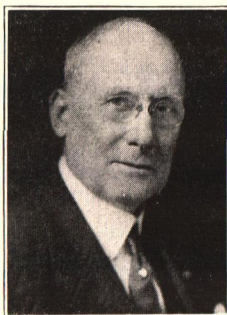
(4) 1890 to 1898 located at 3 North Calvert St. Issued a quatrefoil shape token which combined name, address and 2½ on obverse, the reverse being the same as the obverse only all incused.

Md—20.140.3—CK—19—Ni—15—p No. 1. bd 5—r. 4.

Obituaries

GEORGE H. BLAKE, LM150

George H. Blake, treasurer emeritus of the American Numismatic Association, died Dec. 26, 1955, in the North Shore hospital, Port Washington, L. I., N. Y., at the age of 97. He had served the A.N.A. as treasurer from 1922 to 1949 after a period on the board of governors. A recognized authority on paper money, he had published a book on the subject in 1908. On his last birthday, he was featured on the advertisements of the Chase National Bank as its oldest living depositor.



George H. Blake

Born in Springfield, Mass., he moved to Jersey City, N. J. when 16 years old and later established a shoe leather and belting business there, retiring in 1928. For 40 years he was secretary and treasurer of the National Association of Leather Belting Manufacturers. Mr. Blake joined the A.N.A. in 1907 as Regular Member No. 925 and later became Life Member No. 150. He was Charter Member No. 5 of the Chicago Coin Club and belonged to other numismatic groups. After private services, interment was at Springfield, Mass. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Marion B. Anderson, and a son, Herbert P. Blake.

Mr. Blake gave long service to the cause of American numismatics. His death brings to a close another lifetime that spanned the period of widest growth of coin collecting in this country.

AGNES BALDWIN BRETT

Mrs. Agnes Baldwin Brett, 79, died Dec. 26, 1955, in Marblehead, Mass. A specialist in ancient Greek coins and Roman medallions, she had served as curator of the American Numismatic Society and as honorary curator of Greek coins at Boston's Museum of Fine Arts. She was the widow of Prof. George M. Brett, New York City College curator who died in 1941. She graduated from Barnard College in 1897 and received the Master of Arts degree from Columbia University in 1900. She was the author of several books on ancient coins. Surviving is a daughter, Mrs. Thomas Sanders, Jr.

BENJAMIN A. DELANO, A.N.A. NO. 17427

Benjamin A. Delano, 67, a past president of the Richmond Coin Club, died Dec. 25, 1955. He was a deputy U. S. marshal in the Richmond, Va., office for more than 20 years until his retirement in 1954, when he went back home to his beloved Westmoreland County farm. Although plagued by frail health, he enjoyed the life of a country squire just a few miles from George Washington's birthplace.

Mr. Delano was a perfectionist in numismatics as he was in most things he loved. As much loving care went into the housing and display of his collection as into the acquiring of the best available specimens. He built cases with fluorescent lighting to show his coins to the best advantage and constructed frames on handmade easels to display his paper money. He was ever ready to lend his talents and specimens to the local club modestly insisting that the club be given credit for the success rather than himself.

He rarely missed a meeting of the club, often driving 60 miles to be present, and was one of the work horses of the organization. Any duty assigned him, however onerous or time consuming, was performed with patience and gracious tact. Although Mr. Delano never married, he leaves nephews, nieces, and a host of friends throughout the state. He was a true gentleman and a Virginian of the old school in the finest sense of the word, ever loyal to his heritage. — J.A.J.

U. S. PROOF SETS

The Philadelphia mint was unable to meet the demand for 1955 U. S. proof sets, according to Mrs. Rae V. Biester, superintendent, and will fill the orders left over from last year on a pro rata basis. The total number of sets struck in calendar year 1955 was 378,200. Of these, 21,700 sets were sold over the counter up to Nov. 30, 1955, when such sales ended, and 316,670 sets were shipped to fill mail orders through Dec. 31, 1955. Only 39,830 sets were still on hand after the turn of the year to meet orders for 92,629 sets, mostly large orders of blocks of 100 or more sets. These sets on hand were to be pro rated so that each person or firm in this large order category would receive 43% of the ordered total. The 1955 production of 378,200

sets was far higher than that of any year in the history of the mint. U. S. proof sets struck in recent years are 51,386 in 1950; 57,500 in 1951; 81,980 in 1952; 128,800 in 1953; 233,350 in 1954.

Striking of 1956 U. S. proof sets began in mid-January and the deadline for ordering is Oct. 31, 1956. Last year's final order date of Nov. 30 did not allow enough time for the filling of all orders. The price remains at \$2.10 per set, with no limit as to the number of sets per order. Remittances should be in the form of U. S. postal, express or bank money order, cashier's check or certified check and should be sent to Superintendent, U. S. Mint, 16th and Spring Garden Sts., Philadelphia 30, Pa.

Notes & Queries

Gold Coin Prices in Germany

The average prices of the more important gold coins in Germany reached the highest point for the year early in November, 1955. The price of 20-mark gold pieces was about four per cent higher than at the beginning of the year, and had risen by nearly 10 per cent since August. The prices of vrenelis, napoleons, and U. S. eagles had, however, fallen a little. The most important influence on these gold coin prices came from Paris as a result of the capital flight from North Africa and increased gold hoarding in France, but there is also a considerable demand in Germany for gold coins. Transactions with foreign countries in gold coins are still not permitted, but considerable quantities of 20-mark pieces which had been held abroad have nevertheless been returned to Germany. The German prices for coins are about five per cent higher than the Swiss prices. The 20-mark piece, for example, is quoted in Switzerland at the equivalent of about DM 38.38, while the average price in West Germany is DM 40.25. (This information comes from the *International Financial News Survey* and *Zeitschrift für das gesamte Kreditwesen*, published in Frankfurt am Main, Germany.)

Theodore Roosevelt Commemorative Half?

Sen. William Langer of North Dakota introduced Senate Bill No. 2808 calling for the striking of 100,000 silver 50-cent pieces to commemorate the birth of Theodore Roosevelt in 1858. All coins would bear the date 1958 and would be issued before Dec. 31, 1958. The Pioneer Development Association of North Dakota would be the distributing agent. The profile of Theodore Roosevelt along with a likeness of the north gate of the Theodore Roosevelt national memorial park would appear on the obverse of the coin and a likeness of the Theodore Roosevelt log cabin which is located on the grounds of the capitol of the state of North Dakota on the reverse. The bill was referred to the committee on banking and currency.

Exchange Policy in Laos

The exchange of banknotes in Laos, similar to that undertaken in Vietnam

and Cambodia, was completed in October, 1955.

Melish Collection to Be Auctioned

The collection of U. S. coins formed by the late Thomas G. Melish will be a feature of the auction sale to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., on April 27-28-29 in conjunction with the annual convention of the Central States Numismatic Society. According to A. Kosoff, who is conducting the auction, the catalog will offer over \$100,000.00 worth of coins.

"Tom Melish will be remembered kindly by the many who attended the A.N.A. Convention in Cincinnati in 1942 as the 'Pirate Chief' who angeloed the convention. Fond memories of the pirates' den, the presidential suite of the Netherlands Plaza Hotel, will come to mind. The 24-hour buffet and bar in the foyer, the hundreds of 'dime-and-rings' which Uncle Tom distributed, and the oil paintings of the A.N.A. pirates which he presented to many of us," Kosoff says.

Others will recall writing to Melish when they wanted the Cincinnati and Cleveland commemorative half dollars, for he was the distributor for both of these issues. Melish offered to turn over 16,000 Cleveland half dollars at "any premium" above face; \$8,050.00 could have bought the lot. But that was 1942 and Clevelands were hard to sell at 65 cents. Kosoff turned down the deal.

British West Indies Currency

As from October 1, 1955, legislation has been enacted making currency notes issued by Jamaica legal tender in the eastern group of British Caribbean colonies, and currency notes issued by the board of commissioners of currency, British Caribbean territories (eastern group), legal tender in Jamaica.

New CNA Journal

Beginning with the January, 1956, issue, the official organ of the Canadian Numismatic Association will appear in printed form, under the name of *The Canadian Numismatic Journal*, with a circulation of about 700 copies monthly. The format and type size will be approximately that of *The Numismatist*, and the issue will con-

sist initially of 16 pages. The cover and back outside pages will be printed in color; the color is to be changed annually.

Correction

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

I thought that I should call your attention to a small error that slipped in at the bottom of page 1313 of the December issue of *The Numismatist*. The Canadian mint did not begin operation a hundred years ago. The Ottawa branch of the royal mint, as it was known at that time, began operation in 1908.

As a matter of interest, we are planning to hold the 1958 convention of the Canadian Numismatic Association in Ottawa, at which time we will be celebrating both the one hundredth anniversary of the striking of the first decimal coins for Canada and the fiftieth anniversary of the striking of the first coins at the Ottawa mint.

— MAJOR SHELDON S. CARROLL
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Kingsview Park
Ottawa, Ont., Canada

Central Bank for Malaya?

A central bank of Malaya with power to issue and control currency is being considered, according to the *London Financial Times*. It would be responsible to the governments of both Singapore and the Federation of Malaya. The establishment of such a bank would terminate the functions of the Malayan Currency Commissioners in relation to Singapore and the Federation but they would continue to function for North Borneo if that colony did not participate in the proposed central bank.

Estimated 1955 Gold Production

Gold production in the western world will probably reach \$950 million in 1955, according to *The Northern Miner*, \$52 million more than in 1954 and \$200 million more than in 1946, but still much less than the average production of \$1,200 million in 1939-41. Of the countries included in this group, it is estimated that production in South Africa this year may exceed \$500 million; Canada's output may rise by \$6 million; whereas in the United States output is expected to slow down again. Output in most other areas in the group is either static or declining.

Australian Sets Available

The Australian treasury has recently approved the striking of proof and uncirculated pieces representing the denominations actually issued in 1955 by the Melbourne mint, that is, 1/-, 6d, 3d and 1d. Proof pieces are available at 2/- each in addition to face value and selected (uncirculated) at 6d above face value. A charge of 7/6 is made for packing plus the actual cost of postage and insurance. It is anticipated that specimens will be struck in future years on the same basis. Coins will be sent on receipt of remittance, a simple method being by means of an international money order. Commemorative coins are not available.

Philippine Society Elects

At the annual meeting of the Philippine Numismatic and Antiquarian Society in Manila on January 8 the following were elected officers for the year 1956:

President: Dr. Leoncio Lopez-Rizal
Vice-President: Alfonso Ongpin
Secretary: Antonio B. Bantug
Treasurer: Ildefonso Santos
Directors: Dr. Pablo I. de Jesus, Felipe R. Hidalgo, Dr. Jesus P. Celis, Pio M. Reyes, Jose J. Tupaz
Librarian: Gabriel A. Bernardo
Editor: Dr. Pablo I. de Jesus.

Guernsey Coins

For the first time since 1949 the island of Guernsey has authorized the issuance of coins. To be struck by the British royal mint are 480,000 eight double pieces (eight doubles equals 1d) and 240,000 four double pieces. A new addition will be 3d pieces, 480,000 of which are to be minted. According to the *London Times*, they will be about the size of the English 6d, with a scalloped edge and made of cupro-nickel. The obverse will depict a Guernsey cow, value in letters, the date, and the word GUERNSEY and the reverse will bear the seal of the Bailiwick. The obverse of the other coins will carry a Guernsey lily with the date and value; the word GUERNSEY with the seal of the Bailiwick will appear on the reverse.

Silver Dollar Releases

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

I thought you might be interested in knowing that during the months of October and November large quantities of brilliant uncirculated 1903

Philadelphia mint silver dollars were released through various banks in Ohio, western Pennsylvania, and western New York. It is my understanding that bags containing all uncirculated 1903 silver dollars were available. Generally those paid out from the Federal Reserve in Buffalo were a mixture of 1903 and 1922 Philadelphia with the larger percentage being 1922 Philadelphia silver dollars. Most of the uncirculated silver dollars that were released in western New York about a year ago are still available, especially in small town banks.

It might also be interesting to call to the attention of the subscribers of *The Numismatist* that large quantities of the 1893 Carson City silver dollars in uncirculated condition were generally available as early as last August at the A.N.A. convention at a very reasonable price, less than \$5.00 each. Should any other dates of uncirculated silver dollars be released in this area, I will forward the dates to you as a matter of general information for all of the readers of *The Numismatist*.

I am enclosing a picture of a new money counter that appeared in the Sept. 3, 1955, issue of *Business Week*. Please notice the photographs of the U. S. \$1.00 bills.

Again I want to congratulate you on the excellent job you are doing as Editor of *The Numismatist*.

—JOHN J. PITTMAN
4 Acton St.
Rochester 15, N. Y.

Editor's note: For \$5,000 you can buy one of the money counters, which will count and wrap 36,000 bills an hour. If an extra bill slips into a pack, or if the pack is short a bill, an electronic detector automatically stops the machine. It will handle old or new bills.

Ohio Meeting

The spring convention of the Ohio State Numismatic Society will be held at the Deshler Hilton Hotel in Columbus, Ohio, May 19-20th. The Columbus Numismatic Society is the host club. Michael Kolman, Jr., of Cleveland has been awarded the auction.

Japanese Coinage and Paper Money

The Bank of Tokyo's *Weekly Review of Economic Affairs in Japan*, Oct. 29, 1955, reports that the finance ministry of Japan is considering the replacement of some current paper money by 100-yen silver coins. Employees of the government printing bureau and dealers in a special type

of tree, mitsumata, which is used for making the paper for banknotes, have protested. The number of 100-yen notes in circulation is about 584 million, and the average life of these notes is one year. The cost of producing a note is about 4.50 yen. The cost of producing a silver coin is estimated at about 45 yen but, in view of their longer life, the manufacture of coins would be more economical. Plans under consideration for increasing the volume of unissued notes to be kept in stock are expected to maintain the volume of work in the government printing bureau and the demand for mitsumata at the present level for at least 10 years.

Silver Coinage in Mexico

In his annual message on September 1, the president of Mexico announced he would ask congress to pass legislation authorizing silver coins of 5 pesos and 10 pesos, the intrinsic value of which would be equal to their monetary value, and which would provide a durable medium for private savings. It was thus intended to create a powerful weapon against inflation by providing the population with a monetary unit they would be able to hoard with complete confidence in its value. In this way it was expected to set in motion a tendency to counteract the effect of any future increases in the circulating medium.

Two decrees were accordingly published in the *Diario Oficial* of September 15, one amending the monetary law of July 1931 by a reclassification of the coinage, and the other defining the composition of the new coins. The new 5- and 10-peso pieces will be legal tender for single payments up to 500 pesos. Certain subsidiary coins will no longer be minted. The 5-peso silver pieces (.900 fine) and the 1-peso pieces (.500 fine), defined by a decree of September 11, 1947, will be immediately retired from circulation and demonetized. The Bank of Mexico will buy these demonetized coins at a price based on the current value of their silver content. Past experience, however, suggests that a considerable proportion of these coins will not be sold to the Bank of Mexico, but will continue to be held in hoards. Source: Banco Nacional de Mexico, S.A., *Review of the Economic Situation of Mexico*, Mexico, D. F., October 1955, and the *International Financial News Survey*.

St. Petersburg Banquet

The second annual banquet of the St. Petersburg Coin Club will be held at 7 p.m. February 17 at Toffenetti's Restaurant, 1st Avenue and 2nd Street, North St. Petersburg, Florida. A full course dinner will be served for only \$3.00 per person. Entertainment, exhibits, and prizes are all included in the price of the ticket. Tickets may be obtained from Alfred E. Bannister, 610 76th Avenue, St. Petersburg Beach. All members of the A.N.A. are welcome to this annual event.

What Others Publish

The *New York Times* magazine section, Dec. 18, 1955, carried a couple of columns "About: Pennies" under the by-line of Morton Yarmon. Throughout the author insists on calling a "cent" a "penny," although he admits to knowing better. Perhaps someone should write a letter to the editor of that newspaper.

Did you suspect that the very good article on coin collecting, "Got A Jackpot in Your Pocket?", in the Oct., 1955, *Town Journal* was masterminded by Stuart Mosher?

Both *Science*, Oct. 15, 1954, and *Reader's Digest*, Oct., 1955, carried stories on A.N.A. Member William Guild and his Science Center in a St. Petersburg, Fla., junior high school. Mr. Guild is a retired real estate man who devotes his time to helping youngsters learn about crabs, telephones, coin collecting, snakes, insects, crime detection and other subjects.

The *C.N.A. Bulletin*, Dec., 1955 contains club reports, "Canadian Military Medals" by W. A. Stewart; a continuation of "The Bank of Nova Scotia"; and "Canada's Fractional Currency" by J. A. Peddie.

Seaby's *Coin and Medal Bulletin*, Dec., 1955, continues "The Royal Mint" and "Sasanian Coins" and gives some of realized prices in the Lockett sale; book reviews; letters to the editor; war medal notes and news; coins, medals and books for sale.

The *Numismatic Circular*, Dec., 1955, concludes "The Coinage of Florence" by W. J. W. Potter; offers "Goddess Coventina and Her Well at Carrawburgh" by J. H. Corbitt; "All for the Love of a Lady" by S. A. H. Whetmore; "A New Type for Aethelraed II" by R. H. M. Dolley; "Note on the Metrological Background of Roman Coinage" by A. E. Berriman; "Hong Kong Emergency Notes" by F. Pridmore, a continuation; book re-

views; numismatic societies; coins, medals and books for sale.

With Christmas gift subscriptions of the *U. S. News and World Report* went a leaflet bearing a fine steel engraving of the seal of the United States, its description with illustration of obverse and reverse, and a brief history of its origin.

The cover of the Australian edition of the *Reader's Digest*, July, 1955, featured Australian coins in full color with a guide to the picture and historical sketch of the coinage inside the front and back covers.

The Numismatic Scrapbook, Dec. 20, 1955, continues articles by Johnavenport, Arlie Slabaugh, Col. James W. Curtis, and A. Kosoff; offers "A Famous Fabrication" (1665 XII Pence of New England); "Importance of Serial Numbers on Currency to Note Collectors" by R. H. Lloyd; "Changing Trend in Our Standard Issue Coins" by L. G. Lodge; "Jewish Charity Tokens and Scrip" by Eugene Manischewitz; "Wooden Money Issued in 1955" by Emil Di Bella; organization news.

Price Lists

Coin Galleries, price list No. 6, Dec., 1955. Religious coins and medals; Roman republican denarii and Roman imperial coins; early English pennies; Latin American issues; German 3-mark pieces; modern gold; orders and decorations; books.

Benjamin B. DuBose, special sale list, Dec. 29, 1955. U. S. regular and commemorative gold issues; foreign gold.

Munzen und Medaillen A. G., price lists No. 150 (Oct., 1955) and No. 151 (Nov., 1955). Various Greek; 3rd century Roman coins; Roman gold coins; other gold coins; Italian crowns; 20th century coins; books; Greek bronze coins; Roman imperial silver; Swiss silver coins; German Ecclesiastical silver coins; medals.

New Netherlands *Numisma*, Sept.-Oct., 1955. Prices realized in Sept. 30 *Numisma* mail bid sale; colonial currency; U. S. coins in all metals; some Canadian; question and answer forum.

Stack's 1956 price list. U. S. and foreign gold, silver and minor coins; supplies.

Baruch Gives Away Commemorative Halves

Bernard Baruch, American philanthropist and adviser to presidents, is reported to have given 9,000 uncirculated Stone Mountain commemorative

half dollars to be used in constructing a memorial to the women of the Confederacy. The gift was made to Mrs. Belmont Dennis, retiring president-general of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, in memory of his mother. The coins are being stored in the Bank of Covington and Trust Co., Covington, Ga. (Source: *Dixie Coin and Stamp News*)

"Fanged" Dime

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

I am very much interested in knowing how widely collected the 1953-P "fanged" Roosevelt dime has become. I have talked with a number of dealers and collectors here and in New York City who have heard of the coin but assume it to be "just another freak." Personally, I would hardly

call it that. While there are always a few freaks resulting from die imperfections, few damaged dies have resulted in a coin of such bizarre appearance. I believe that the "fanged Roosevelt" dime will eventually achieve the status of the "three-legged buffalo" nickel. I have several specimens found in rolls purchased at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The Philadelphia mint examined one of these coins but could give no information other than that the die had been damaged by a stray flake of steel.

Presumably a modest quantity is in circulation. Perhaps some of your readers can shed light on the quantity found to date.

—JOHN K. BRYAN, JR.
18 Willow Lane
Scotia 2, N. Y.

CALENDAR OF FUTURE NUMISMATIC EVENTS

In order that this Calendar be as complete as possible, secretaries of State or Regional Organizations should advise the General Secretary of future meetings which should be included.

Inquiries, further information, or reservations should be sent to official indicated.

Numismatic Association of Southern California. First annual convention. February 17 to 19, 1956. New Hotel Clark, Los Angeles 13, Calif. Harold F. Donald, Secretary, 19221 Oxnard St., Tarzana, Calif.

Nebraska Numismatic Association. Annual convention. March 24-25, 1956. Lincoln Hotel, Lincoln, Nebr. Elmer G. Nelson, General Chairman, 3126 Shirley Court, Lincoln, Nebr.

National Coin Week. April 16-22, 1956.

California State Numismatic Association. Eighteenth semi-annual convention. Hotel Sainte Claire, San Jose, Calif. April 19-22, 1956.

Central States Numismatic Society. Fourteenth annual convention. Hotel Claypool, Indianapolis, Ind. April 27, 28 and 29, 1956. Ray R. Fiscus, General Chairman, 1833 Nowland Ave., Indianapolis 1, Ind. Earl C. Brown, Secretary, 7005 S. Norman Blvd., Chicago 21, Ill.

Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention. May 4 to 6, 1956. Park Sheraton Hotel. Harold S. Bareford, 321 W. 44th St., New York, N. Y.

Ohio State Numismatic Society. Spring convention. May 19-20, 1956. Deshler Hilton Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. Ellis W. Campbell, 1366 Melrose Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

American Numismatic Association. Sixty-fifth annual convention. Aug. 22-25, 1956. Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Glenn B. Smedley, General Chairman, 7644 Essex Ave., Chicago 49, Ill.

Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association. Annual convention. Oct. 6, 7, 1956. Ft. Collins, Colo. Herman L. Boraker, Secy., Box 204, Rocky Ford, Colo.

New England Numismatic Association. 1956 Conference. Oct. 6-7, 1956. Kimball Sheraton Hotel, Springfield, Mass. Edward P. Cignoni, Secretary, 80 Talbot Rd., Springfield 9, Mass.

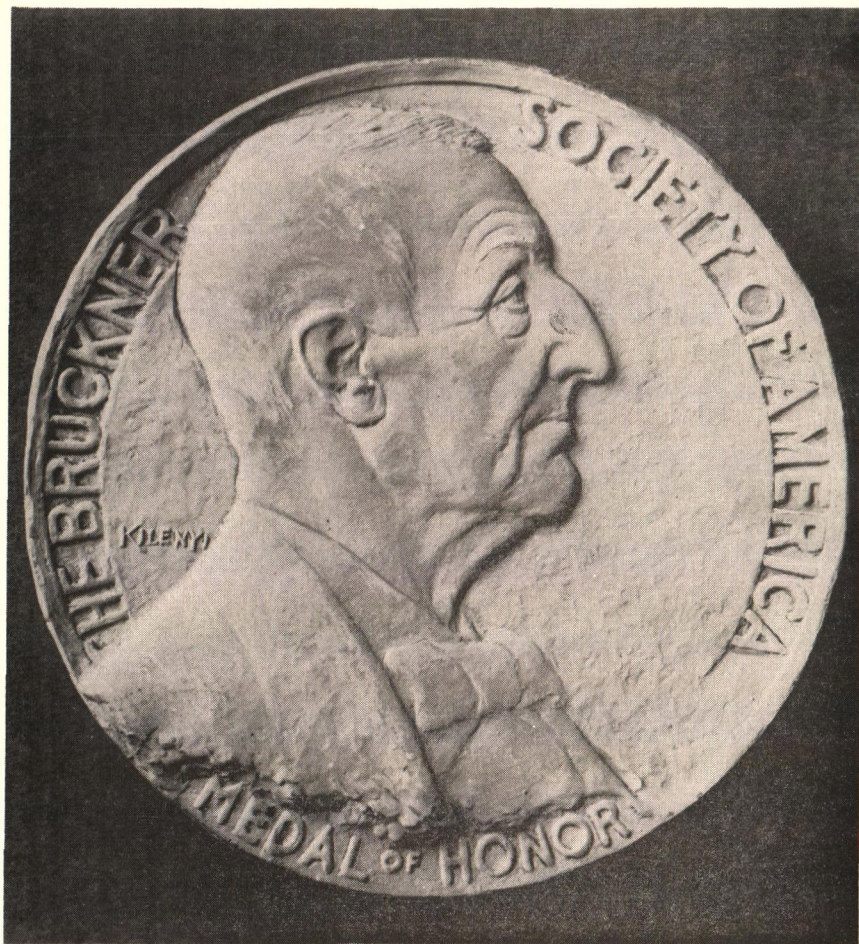
Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association. Ninth annual convention. Oct. 13-14, 1956. Broadview Hotel, Wichita, Kansas.

Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association. Fourth annual convention. Oct. 26-28, 1956. Jefferson Hotel, Richmond, Virginia. Eldridge G. Jones, Secretary, 4228 19th St., N.E., Washington 18, D. C.

American Numismatic Association. Sixty-sixth annual convention. Aug. 20-24, 1957. Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa. Arthur Sipe, General Chairman, 4021 Bonsall Ave., Drexel Hill, Pa.

BRUCKNER SOCIETY MEDAL

The Bruckner Society of America medal of honor, designed by Julio Kilenyi, is to be awarded this year to Joseph Krips of the Buffalo symphony orchestra. Since 1931 the medal has been bestowed annually on



(Photo enlarged)

the conductor whose efforts have contributed most to the understanding of the music of Anton Bruckner. Earlier recipients, among others, were Arturo Toscanini, Bruno Walter, Eugene Ormandy, Frederick Stock, and Koussevitsky. (Photo and information from International Fine Arts Council.)

NEW OR RECENT ISSUES

Described by ERNST KRAUS

It is the important duty of *The Numismatist* to record and illustrate all new issues. Members, both in the United States and abroad are invited to submit new issues to Ernst Kraus, 2006 Benson Avenue, Brooklyn 14, New York. The coins will be photographed and returned as soon as possible. A credit line will be given to every new issue described.

Cyprus



25 Mils, 1955. Copper Nickel. Obverse: as above. Reverse: Bull's head, plant and value, date below, legend as above and value.



100 Mils, 1955. Copper Nickel. Obverse: Crowned bust of Queen, right. Legend: QUEEN ELIZABETH THE SECOND. Reverse: Brig, numeral 100 for value at upper left, date on bottom, legend: GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS ONE HUNDRED MILS.



5 Mils, 1955. Bronze. Obverse: Same as above. Reverse: Figure of early inhabitant and value, date below, inscription as above.



50 Mils, 1955. Copper Nickel. Obverse: Same as above. Reverse: Fern leaves dividing value, date below, legend: as above and value.



3 Mils, 1955. Bronze. Obverse: Same as above. Reverse: Fish and value, date below, legend similar to above. (Vernon L. Brown, Curator, the Chase Manhattan Bank Museum of Moneys, Irving Mertik, Lauren Benson.)

Iraq



10 Fils, 1953. Copper Nickel. Obverse: Head of king right, legend: FEISAL THE SECOND KING OF IRAQ. Reverse: Value in inner circle, Christian date at left, 1953. Muhammedan date 1372 A.H. at right. Inscription in upper panel: THE KINGDOM, in lower panel: IRAQ. Scalloped planchet. (Lauren Benson.)

Japan



50 Yen, 1955. Nickel. Obverse: Chrysanthemum in center, legend

above: NIPPON KUO (the Japanese Nation), value on bottom. Reverse: Numeral 50 for value in center, inscription on top: SHOWA, on the bottom 30th year. Milled edge. (Vernon L. Brown, Edward Kann, Lauren Benson.)

Roumania



2 Lei, 1950. Aluminum Bronze. Obverse: Barley, corn and wheat in center, legend around: REPUBLICA POPULARA ROMANA. Reverse: Value and date. (Robert Friedberg, Gimbels Coin Dept.)

Saarland



100 Franken, 1955. Copper Nickel. Arms within wheel shaped design, legend: SAARLAND. Reverse: Value 100 in numerals in center, date and mintmarks for Paris below, value written out: EIN HUNDERT FRANKEN. (Vernon L. Brown, Lauren Benson.)

FIRST COINS — "So far as we have any knowledge," says Herodotus (i. 94), "the Lydians were the first nation to introduce the use of gold and silver coin." The adoption of this apparently simple means of facilitating exchanges appears to have been due in the first instance to the custom of depositing treasure for safe custody in the sacred temples of the gods. Ingots or small lumps of gold or silver, committed to the care of the priests, were consecrated to the local divinity by being impressed with a badge or symbol, usually the head of some sacred animal. These pieces of metal were subsequently put into circulation, the sacred badge being known and accepted in the district as a reliable guarantee of value. (B. V. Head in Chambers's *Encyclopedia*, 1891)

NOTES FROM YOUR LIBRARIAN

MRS. D. DEE DENISE, 139 E. 116th St., Seattle 55, Wash.

So many new additions have been made these last few months, that I don't believe we'll have much time for chit-chat in this issue. My very hearty thanks for the many, many Christmas cards which came this way from all over the country. Why so many of you ordered books during the two weeks before Christmas, I can't understand, but it kept me so busy that when I stopped filling orders three days before Christmas, it was too late to start addressing cards. Next November I'll remind you that it isn't too good a time to send or return books from the middle of December until after January first. Some of the returned books came without any wrapping and with the post office wire holding the package intact—except for stamp envelopes which probably fell out en route. I hope that the orders sent out from here didn't arrive in the same condition.

I apologize for not acknowledging sooner a book which was sent us by Robert Bruce Whiting of Philadelphia about four months ago. It is the *ART OF COLLECTING COINS* by Leonard S. Forrer (F-39). The book has 183 pages, plus 16 full page plates, and was published in London, 1955. It answers lots of questions for the beginner, such as: How do you start a collection? How are coins made? How do you store and clean coins? How do you value coins? What and where are the great collections? How do you detect counterfeits and forgeries? The book also contains an extensive bibliography and dictionary of technical and numismatic terms.

From Major Sheldon Carroll comes a small booklet printed by the Bank of Canada on *THE STORY OF CANADA'S CURRENCY* (C-102). The story takes us from the playing card money of 1685 through modern currency. The anecdotes related in connection with the story are most interesting and not what you will find in any other book on Canadian money. There are nine plates illustrating different monies. Major Carroll also sent us the 1954 *REPORT OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN MINT* (C-51, 1954).

At the A.N.A. convention in Omaha in August, Harold Baker was one of

the Educational Forum speakers. He talked on U. S. commemorative coins, and has written a paper on them called "48 vs. 73." Sol Kaplan has sent us a reprint of this paper, which was read before the Des Moines Coin Club last January and was published in the June, 1955, *Numismatist*. It is a humorous sketch, and we will insert it inside of M-49, which is Stuart Mosher's book on U. S. commemoratives.

From P. K. Anderson, our new member on the Board of Governors, we have received the five volume set of Tomas Dasi on *A STUDY OF THE PIECES OF EIGHT* (D-65). This is written in Spanish, but, as we have said before in this column, the pictures are the same in any language. I quote Mr. Anderson here, "The coins described and illustrated are mainly taken from other works on Spanish coins such as: Heiss, Vidal Quadras y Ramon and Herrera. The main value of Dasi is his identification of the many assayers whose initials always appear on Spanish coins. In many instances he has also given the names of the engravers. Another valuable item is the publication of all of the many edicts and proclamations, concerning coins and coinage, that were available. The books cover Spain and its colonies from the time of Ferdinand and Isabella down to General Franco. Coins of the Spanish Netherlands and of Milan and the Two Sicilies are omitted." If you would like to borrow an English-Spanish dictionary, I will send one along if you ask for it.

F. J. Rolle of Puerto Rico sent a copy of Fell's *UNITED STATES COIN BOOK* (D-66) by Jacques Del Monte. There is considerable valuable information in the book, but the prices are obsolete now that 10 years have passed since the book was written. Henry Louis was the donor of two interesting little books in German, especially if you are collecting German states. *THE MONEY OF ASCHERSLEBEN* by Dr. Emil Bahrfeldt (B-113) contains 66 pages, four plates and numerous illustrations on almost every page of coins of the 13th and 14th centuries. The other book from Mr. Louis is *DIE MUNZEN DER HERZOGE VON BAIERN*, 10th

and 11th centuries, by Heinrich Philipp Cappe (C-101). It contains 56 pages and eight plates.

Collectors of Canadiana will be happy to know that J. E. Charlton has sent us two copies of the new 1956 CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN COINS, TOKENS AND FRAC-TIONAL CURRENCY, fourth edition (C-79). When I look at this catalog I need smelling salts—why didn't I keep all my Canadian coins and tokens?

Stack's of New York has sent us the prices realized on the FARISH BALDENHOFER COLLECTION OF U. S. COINS (auction held Nov. 11 and 12). This is indexed as S-170 along with the catalog, which is well illustrated with 18 page plates. This is a good opportunity for me to mention that the Library receives auction catalogs from almost all of the dealers, but only when the prices realized are sent along later, can I acknowledge them as part of the Library. Without the prices they are hardly reference works, and are almost useless to us. We would like very much to receive the catalogs AND the price lists of important sales.

From P. I. DeJesus of Manila has come PHILIPPINE NUMISMATIC MONOGRAPH No. 11. This issue

contains an article about a hoard of silver cobs discovered in the Philip-pines, and articles on the Aguinaldo currency, old gold in the Philippines, old Mohammedan coins of Sulu prov-ince, and a picture of the Tirad Pass medal (P-58).

Joseph M. C. Milano sent us a copy of Hewitt's PRICES REALIZED ON LARGE CENTS IN AUCTION SALES OF 1933-34 (H-84). Although this is obsolete, it deserves a place in the Library as a record for those who some day will take the time to graph the rising prices of large cents.

And last we will mention the Vol. 8, No. 2 issue of the NEW ZEALAND NUMISMATIC JOURNAL from the R.N.S. of New Zealand (N-56). A partial list of the articles follows: The Plantagenet Penny in Daily Life; Historical Associations of Coins, Eng-lish Series; Coins and Commodities in Ancient Greece; Roman Coins in the Otago Museum; Tokens of Tasmania; and the Origin of Our Present Day Coins.

Just once again I would like to ask a favor of you. Please don't send me a description of some coin and ask me how much it is worth. First, I can't see the condition of the coin; second, you usually fail to mention the metal in it; third, I'm not a dealer in the first place!

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING NOVEMBER, 1955

Denomination	Philadelphia	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
SILVER				
Half dollars	\$ 28,853.50		\$ 28,853.50	57,707
Quarter Dollars	87,426.75		87,426.75	349,707
Dimes	5,770.70		5,770.70	57,707
Total Silver	\$122,050.95		\$ 122,050.95	465,121
MINOR				
Five-cent pieces	\$ 2,884.15		\$ 2,884.15	57,683
One-cent pieces	529,926.83	\$765,650.00	1,295,576.83	129,557,683
Total Minor	\$532,810.98	\$765,650.00	\$1,298,460.98	129,615,366
Total Domestic Coinage...	\$654,861.93	\$765,650.00	\$1,420,511.93	130,080,487

Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments — None

CUMULATIVE U. S. MINT REPORT FOR 1955, JANUARY TO NOVEMBER INCLUSIVE

(Giving the number of pieces struck)

	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver
Half dollars	2,803,699		
Quarter dollars	18,485,699		3,182,400
Dimes	12,755,699	18,510,000	6,726,000
Five-cent pieces	8,193,528		74,464,100
One-cent pieces	276,515,518	44,610,000	477,632,500

Report of the General Secretary

ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP

Applicants numbered 24903-25026 as published in the December issue have been admitted to membership.

APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following applications were received in December 1955. If there are no objections filed prior to March 1, 1956, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the April 1956 issue.

- 25171 **Henry Bey**, 129 E. Pine Street, Long Beach, L. I., New York. U. S. Coins. Dr. A. A. Solomon, Dr. A. Cirillo.
- 25172 **Reynold Rees**, 32 Oldwood Rd., Port Washington, L. I., New York. U. S. Coins. Dr. Joseph Mellow, Anthony Lordi.
- 25173 **Arthur Hegel**, c/o S. P. Club, Indio, Calif. Large Currency and Medals. Douglas Irons.
- 25174 **Gerald F. Aaron, Jr.**, P. O. Box 139, Billings, Montana. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25175 **Frank S. Winter**, 130-11 226th St., Laurelton 13, L. I., New York. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25176 **L. A. Christison**, 3101 Third Ave. So., Great Falls, Montana. U. S. Coins. C. R. Dawley.
- 25177 **Mrs. Foster B. Tice**, West Edmeston, N. Y. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25178 **Dan M. Jacobson**, 1641 Cordano Way, Sacramento 18, Calif. General, Crowns. Hartly C. Stilwell, Glen Wallace, Mrs. J. A. Jacobson.
- 25179 **Britton H. Vliet**, 1439 Elm St., El Cerrito 6, Calif. General. Frank X. Galvin.
- 25180 **Harry W. Whitcomb**, 92 Tebbs Ave., Lawrenceburg, Indiana. U. S. Coins. E. L. Kirsch, Sr., A. A. Koch.
- 25181 **Arthur A. Curme**, 939 Park St., No., St. Petersburg, Florida. U. S. Coins. Joseph H. Press, Jr.
- 25182 **Norman A. Talbert**, 100 N. Calvert Ave., Muncie, Indiana. General. Elmer B. Ray, Cleo M. Ray.
- 25183 **John Stuber**, 12328 85th Ave., So., Seattle 88, Wash. U. S. Coins. Don Zearling, Bert Wagner.
- 25184 **J. R. Leimenstoll**, 1820 Boulderview Lane, S.E., Atlanta, Georgia. Type U. S., Confederate, Dahlonaga Gold, U. S. Minor by dates. G. M. Todd, Pierce H. James.
- 25185 **John Hewlett**, 26 Centre St., Woodmere, L. I., New York. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25186 **Russell H. Hollister**, 130 W. Center College, Yellow Springs, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25187 **E. F. Koch**, 18 E. Myrtle St., Alexandria, Va. Cents. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25188 **James A. De Wald**, 2626 Kensington Blvd., Fort Wayne, Indiana. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25189 **Robert S. Ittelson**, 6345 Wetherole St., Rego Park 74, N. Y. U. S. Proofs. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25190 **Frank Kostner**, 1829 N. Drake, Chicago, Illinois. U. S. Coins. George W. Howe.
- 25191 **H. S. Benton**, 1700 E. 10th, Amarillo, Texas. U. S. Coins. John E. Speer, Fred T. Dines, M. H. Loewenstern.
- 25192 **A. E. Merriam**, 728 High St., Bethlehem, Penn. U. S. Coins. D. W. Karp, L. R. Karp.
- 25193 **Murray D. Firetag**, 104-13 215th St., Queens Village, New York 29, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Robert Cohn.
- 25194 **Joseph E. Mauro**, 900 Maple Ave., Linden, N. J. Minor U. S. Coins. Dr. Silvio Ruppini, William J. Ochs.
- 25195 **William H. Gardner**, 2711 East 7th St., Long Beach 4, Calif. U. S. Coins. Ben H. Williams, Louis E. Zumwalt.
- 25196 **Clyde R. Beuter**, 1111 Grand Central Ave., Horseheads, N. Y. General. W. O. White.
- 25197 **George A. Harrower**, 1990 South Penn., Denver 10, Colo. U. S. Coins. C. S. Potter, Al Overton.
- 25198 **Mrs. Mona Jean Akers**, 328½ N. Segrave St., Daytona Beach, Florida. Arthur B. Coole, Dr. Orville R. Clark.
- 25199 **Gerald A. Badman**, DeWitt, Nebr. General. Elmer G. Nelson, Kenneth G. L. Kopta, John J. Gabarron.
- 25200 **Nebraska Numismatic Ass'n., John J. Gabarron**, 210 No. 32nd St., Lincoln 3, Nebr. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25201 **Marlene Dahna**, P. O. Box 630, Iowa City, Iowa. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25202 **John W. Hays**, 4343 Logan Ave. North, Minneapolis 12, Minn. U. S. Coins and Paper money, modern foreign coins. Elmer C. Tupper.
- 25203 **Harry Snellenburg, Jr.**, 708 Wyndale Rd., Jenkintown, Penn. Great Britain. Catherine E. Bullowa.
- 25204 **Murry Silverman**, 210 S. Capitol Ave., Lansing, Mich. U. S. Coins. Earl L. Schill.
- 25205 **Mrs. Robert H. Bagley**, 108 Lyndale Drive, Alexandria, Virginia. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 25206 **George Pearce**, 342 So. 29th St., Lincoln 10, Nebr. U. S. Coins. Dale Rathe, Kenneth V. Anderson.
- 25207 **Donald P. Consodine**, 1848 Commonwealth Ave., Brighton 35, Mass. U. S. minor coins. Malcolm Chell-Frost, William Trouson.
- 25208 **Joseph B. English**, 35 Whaley Ave., East Aurora, New York. U. S. Coins and Currency. Jesse M. Taylor.

- 25209 **J. H. Sproule**, 406 Wilbur Ave., Dayton 5, Ohio. General. Roslyn R. Vendt.
 25210 **William M. Cronin**, 1403 Chadwick Dr., Dayton 6, Ohio. General. Roslyn R. Vendt.
 25211 **Roy G. Saunders**, Apt. 47, Washburn U., Topeka, Kansas. U. S. Coins and bills. Marvin Withers, Floyd Withers.
 25212 **Jean Lonsford**, 4104 Garrott, Apt. 4, Houston, Texas. U. S. Coins. Benjamin Feder.
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 20071 David Frohlich, Penn at Frankstown Ave., Pittsburgh 6, Penn.
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 7743 Charles S. Marsh, Comptroller, Hq. ATC, Scott Field, Ill.
 15714 Percy L. Montour, 1131 John Marshall Drive, Falls Church, Virginia.
 12902 R. A. Nash, Box 269, Woodward, Okla.
 11826 Lt. Col. Charles K. Panish, William St., Norwalk, Conn.
 11110 Gordon S. Potter, 327 West 117th St., Hawthorne, Calif.
 5864 Warren P. Ruth, 2039 Wilton Drive, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
 9555 Arthur A. Schneider, 10540 Plymouth Rd., Detroit 4, Mich.
 9755 R. N. Short, 329 W. MacArthur Rd., Wichita 15, Kansas.
 13875 Sibley D. Squire, 38 Brenway Drive, West Hartford 7, Conn.
 16357 Bradley B. Underwood, 884 Collingwood, Pomona, Calif.

Changes in Organizational Directory

7258 Akron Coin Club, C. W. Devore, Secy., 1490 Osage Ave., Akron, Ohio.
 11665 Dayton Coin Club, Joseph Moritz, Secy., 203 Hopeland St., Dayton 8, Ohio.
 24253 Eugene Coin Club, Mrs. A. R. Sorensen, Secy., Oakridge, Oregon.
 22414 Franklin County Coin Club, Dean Williams, Secy., Warwick Ave., Northfield, Mass.

- 9096 **Indianapolis Coin**, R. O. Jarvis, Secy., 1304 N. Delaware No. 907, Indianapolis 2, Ind. Meets fourth Wednesday, 8:00 p.m., Washington Hotel.
- 21371 **Inland Empire Coin Club**, Mrs. Arlene Dark, Secy., 1402 Old National Bank Bldg., Spokane, Wash.
- 7065 **Iowa Numismatic Association**, Mrs. Elmer P. Laurent, Secy., 814½ N. 2nd St., Clinton, Iowa.
- 7450 **Lehigh Valley Coin Club**, Harold N. Shepherd, Secy., Circle Drive, Residence Park, Palmerton, Penn.
- 22690 **Logansport Coin Club**, Ed Discher, Secy., Logansport, Indiana.
- 16416 **Martin Coin Club**, Recreation Dept., Glen L. Martin Co., O. J. Schaefer, Mail No. 505, Baltimore 3, Maryland.
- 25300 **Monterey Park Coin Club of Monterey Park, Calif.**, Vera Schymos, Corr. Secy., 8555 E. Marshall, Rosemead, Calif. Meetings held second Monday of each month at Monterey Park Community Center.
- 7118 **Oklahoma City Coin Club**, William J. Dale, No. 15, Centralville, Edmond, Okla. Meets 7:30 p.m., 4th Tuesday of each month, on the third floor of the 1st National Bank Building in the Directors' Room. (Corner of Robinson & Park Avenue, downtown Oklahoma City.)
- 17628 **Saginaw Valley Coin Club**, Mrs. Carl L. Roethke, Secy., 1759 Gratiot, Saginaw, Mich.
- 20258 **San Gabriel Valley Coin Club**, F. V. Frey, Secy., 1194 No. Holliston, Pasadena, Calif.
- 24666 **Sociedad Numismatica Puertorriquena**, E. J. Nelson, Secy., E 16 B, San Patricio, P. R.
- 22417 **Tri-County Coin Club**, Miss Betty Cabona, Secy., Box 414, West Warren, Mass. Regular meetings held 1st Thursday of each month at 8 p.m., Memorial Hall, Warren, Mass.
- LM36 **Omaha Coin Club, Inc.**, Kenneth S. Dorr, Secy., 2513 S. 46th Ave., Omaha 6, Nebr.

Admitted to Life Membership

- LM283 **R. C. Eckardt**, 609 Hinman, Evanston, Illinois.
- LM284 **Ben W. Williams**, 5619 Coldbrook Ave., Long Beach 11, Calif.
- LM285 **Dr. Charles E. Weber**, Dept. of Germanic Languages, Jesse 309, Univ. of Mo., Columbia, Mo.

Reports of Club Meetings

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE: Reports should be made promptly. Copy must be received by the 7th of the month to insure insertion in the following month's issue. Sometimes a carbon copy of the minutes is sent in, and almost invariably a number of items of local concern only must be cancelled. The justification for publishing these accounts lies in the numismatic information — and encouragement — to be derived by collectors generally, regardless of location. On this basis we feel it advisable to revise and condense, and, incidentally, the by-product of this course is conservation of valuable space. All copy should be typewritten, double-spaced, and written on one side of the paper only. Please condense your reports and write them so they conform to the style of those printed below. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Please send reports to the Editor.

ATLANTA COIN CLUB — 444th meeting Dec. 13, 1955, Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.; Pres. George M. Todd presided; 26 present. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

Officers elected for 1956: Robert C. Davis, president; B. J. Dantone, vice president; Margaret C. McAuley, sec'y-treas.; Philip S. Reed, ass't secretary.

Christmas party program with prizes, refreshments and a 1955-S cent souvenir. Alphabet quiz, with prize for highest score in giving a coin name for each letter of the alphabet — our favorite

game, "Coino," similar to "bingo," but played with coin names instead of numbers.

Exhibits:

Philip S. Reed: United States type coins.

Leroy D. Martin: U. S. gold type set; U. S. type set, cents through silver dollars.

Jackson Bennett: Complete U. S. type set, half cents through silver dollars.

C. M. Hillis: 1954 Franklin half dollar struck in copper.

Roy T. Payne: Complete set flying eagle and Indian cents, including 1856 flying eagle; U. S. currency.

— MARGARET C. MCAULEY
Secretary & Treasurer

BIRMINGHAM COIN CLUB — 130th meeting November 21st; 19 present. The subject for the evening was American colonial money by Mrs. Russell Cunningham, Jr. Many early coins were displayed together with hand drawn replicas from pictures of coins not available for showing. She told historic background of the struggles of the colonists to obtain a medium of exchange. Early Indian wampum, copper wire, bullets, shells, and even tobacco were some of the types of money used. Coins displayed included: Virginia half penny, Massachusetts "NE" coins, willow tree, oak tree, and pine tree pieces, several Rosa Americana coins of William Wood well designed types. The enlarged picture of the "Hogge" coin was humorous. A plaster cast of a token was furnished by the British Museum. It was thought by some historians to be the first coin made for the American colonies about Sir Walter Raleigh's time. The museum identified the token as a Mori medallite made in Europe at a much later date.

Coins used in the display were furnished by Mrs. Morris. Other displays: Mr. Shavers, Spanish American reals; Mr. Faulkner, Biblical coins; Mr. Booth, Confederate currency.

— ADILE M. WATKINS
Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — 268th meeting, Oct. 5th, 1955, Granada Hotel; Pres. Emil Voigt presided; 66 present; auction.

— SIDNEY H. KITZLER
Rec. Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — 269th meeting, Nov. 2, 1955, Granada Hotel; Vice President Tom Wass presided; 48 present.

Mr. Ryan gave a resume of the recent Chicago meeting. The nominating committee reported its slate of officer candidates.

— ARTHUR LEEDS
Acting Rec. Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — 270th meeting, Dec. 7, 1955, Granada Hotel; Pres. Voigt presided; 47 present.

New 1956 officers are: President, Thomas Wass III; Vice Pres., Michael Granis; Rec. Secy., Arthur Leeds; Treas., Sidney H. Kitzler; Corres. Secy., William Kiszka; Board of Governors, Emil Voigt, Vincent Nicolletti, Rev. Hutchins, Max Kaplan, David Matas and Victor Melnechuk.

Mr. Ryan, governor of the American Numismatic Association, advised he was present on an official inspection of the club.

Pres. Wass addressed the Club and outlined his program for 1956. Mr. Geiger suggested an educational program be arranged.

Exhibits:

Joe Berman: Alabama comm. half dollar, five \$1 gold.

H. S. Bernstein: Five unc. and proof 5c 1870-1927.

Austin DiPalma: Eleven silver crowns Mexico under the Spaniards and as a republic.

Aaron R. Feldman: Book on U. S. notes by John Jay Knox, 1885.

Anthony Fischetti: 1913-S nickel, 1932-D quarter, 1892-S quarter, and 1901-S dime.

Michael Granis: Babylonian clay tablet 2500 B.C., Siglo of Lydia, time of Croesus, 561-546 B.C., three varieties of Chinese key money.

Richard Hasselbusch: Freak 1955 dime and 1943 cent.

Melvin P. Hennisch: Five franc Swiss thalers and a Franklin press cent.

Charles Hollander: *The American Bond Detector and History of U. S. Govt. Securities.*

Max L. Kaplan: One, two and five dollar national bank notes, 1st charter; type set of one dollar U. S. gold, ten dollar gold 1879, unc.

Rev. Frank Hutchins: 18 large and 39 small U. S. banknotes.

Sidney H. Kitzler: Uncut sheet 1-2-3 and 5 dollar Somerset and Worcester Savings banknotes 1862, 1-3 and 5 dollar South Carolina Railroad notes 1873 and 1-2-3 and 5 dollar West River Bank of Vermont notes.

M. Koplik: 3 dollar gold 1854, 1 cent Lincoln misstruck, 5 cents 1889 unc. misstruck and gold plated.

David Matas: Counterfeit \$2 bill, freak \$1 bill 1935, \$1 bill 1899, Hawaii, 1935 G-1917, \$5 bill, 1899-1923, several U.S.C.O. bills.

Victor Melnechuk: 2 and 2½ pesos Mexico gold, unc.

S. Melnick: \$10 note of the Exchange Bank of Tennessee 1856.

Vincent Nicoletti: 1955 South Africa proof set.

R. Picker: 1787 N. Y. Excelsior U.S.A. bar cent, 1850-1 dollar gold.

Frank W. Porcaro: Medals, Julius Hahn, Felix Faure, World Exposition, Paris 1889, Jamestown Exposition 1908, Morrow.

Dr. Portnoy: 1955 proof set, 1915 Panama Pacific Comm. half dollar.

Philip Ribner: National currency, \$20 Richmond, Va., \$10 Philadelphia, Pa., Federal Reserve note \$10, silver certificate \$10 1934 A, \$5-10, 20 Fed. Res. notes Cleveland, Minneapolis and Richmond.

Philip Rosenbaum: Sheet of 18 \$1 bills and 12 \$5 bills, set of Canada silver dollars.

Charles Ross: \$2.50, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00 unc. gold

Tom Settle: Large currency.

Thomas J. Wass III: \$1 1899, \$5 1907, \$5 1899, freak \$20.

Moe Weinschel: Crowns of Latvia, Lichtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Madras, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Montenegro, and Morocco.

Wm. Wild: *American Numismatic Manual*, 1859, by M. W. Dickeson.

Boris Wishy: Panama Pacific reproductions, set of 2 cents 1864-1873, 1921 silver dollar paper weight.

— SIDNEY H. KITZLER
Rec. Secretary

CHICAGO COIN CLUB — 443rd meeting Dec. 14, 1955; auction; 60 present; Pres. Elston T. Bradfield presiding. The following officers were elected for 1956: President, Elston G. Bradfield; 1st Vice Pres., Theodore F. Pokorney; 2nd Vice Pres., Joseph Merkel; Secretary-Treasurer, Michael M. Dolnick; Directors, Earl C. Brown, I. T. Kipicki, Theodore H. Rich.

Col. James C. Curtis donated his "A Study of the Relationship Between Hypnotic Susceptibility and Intelligence" to the club library. His research showed

a positive relationship between intelligence and the ability to be hypnotized, and he assured those who had been hypnotized by Prof. Baron at the club banquet that they had a high degree of intelligence.

Exhibits:

J. Dudley Stone: U. S. proof and mint sets.

Earl C. Brown: \$1.00 state bank note of Baldwin & Dodge, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Ernest Jonas: Civil war store cards which resemble silver dollars and double eagles. One card carried the date 1776.

Glenn B. Smedley: \$1.00 silver certificate with wet ink transfer of reverse on obverse and 2½ inch bronze medal of Maria Theresa.

George Habermehl: Portrait gold coins of Austria, Mexico, France and the Vatican.

— MICHAEL M. DOLNICK
Secretary

CINCINNATI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — December 9th meeting, Metropole Hotel, 18 present; auction. The club mourns the demise of Benjamin J. Lazar, Charter Member No. 7 and Life Member No. 8 of the C.N.A. Nominations of officers for 1956 were submitted for the election in January. A catalog of Georgia notes displayed in the Public Library of Atlanta, Ga., was presented to the C.N.A. Library by Marcus J. Brown.

Exhibits:

G. Duvall: Coins from the club's collection.

G. Parvin: Large Canadian cents.

C. Hubble: 1851 gold dollar in plastic.

W. Wagner: \$20 gold.

M. Fessenden: U. S. type coins from half cent to dollar.

L. Riggs: 140-180 A.D. denarius of Faustina Figlia.

L. Tosky: Two U. S. mint silver assay bars.

— MARVIN S. FESSENDEN
Secretary

CINCINNATI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — A dinner, to celebrate the founding of the C.N.A. in November of 1930, replaced the scheduled business meeting for this month at the Hotel Metropole. (See "Top of the Clubs.") "M.C." Sol Kaplan conducted the cake-cutting ceremony. Congratulatory messages from members Herb Brand in Florida and Abe Kosoff in California represented coast-to-coast coverage for this gala occasion. Another milestone in C.N.A. history has been passed and year after year the torch has been passed on to new officers who, with the same pride as their predecessors, strive to light the path of progress for a greater C.N.A.

— MARVIN S. FESSENDEN
Secretary

CLEVELAND COIN CLUB — 190th meeting November 2, 1955, at the Carter Hotel with Matt Gazzo presiding and 21 members present.

Election of officers was held with the following results: President: Matt Gazzo; Vice President: Joseph Lukas; Treasurer: Myron Sobetta; Secretary: Marjorie Gold.

Exhibits:

Nora Forrest: Spoke on Cancer and Scorpio and coins representing each.

Charles Hallem: Mutilated Coins.

Douglas Boutall, Jr.: Counterfeit Chinese crowns.

Meredith Young: Greek coins.

Matt Gazzo: Mexican revolutionary.

Dr. Y. A. Sargis: Broken bank notes.

Joseph Lukas: Odd and curious of Siam.

— MARJORIE GOLD
Secretary

DAYTON COIN CLUB — 185th meeting Dec. 1, Miami Hotel, Pres. Banner presiding; 21 in attendance; auction; refreshments. The exhibit was unc. type set of commemorative half dollars by Mr. Banner. The contest for the most new members in 1955 ended with Raymond Billett winning first prize, \$5.00 unc. gold piece furnished by Mr. Banner; second prize, \$2.50 gold piece, unc. furnished by Mr. Chastain, was won by Eugene Sharp. The nomination of officers for the coming year was then held.

— JOSEPH MORITZ
Secretary

DES MOINES COIN CLUB — 175th meeting Dec. 2; Pres. Chas. W. Delk, Sr., presided; at the Y.M.C.A.; 22 present; auction.

Highlights of the recent and very successful Iowa Numismatic Association convention were discussed.

— R. G. BULLARD
Secretary

EAST BAY COIN CLUB — Regular monthly meeting December 9, 1955; Gilbert D. Eaton, president, presided; 72 present. Everyone was welcomed to our Christmas party night.

Exhibits:

Kirby Brown: Old books.

Earl Parker: Foreign coins retrieved from vending machines.

Rudy Gjurovich: Trophy won at Pittsburgh Columbus Day parade.

By unanimous vote, the following officers were elected for 1956:

President: Don T. Thrall

Vice-President: Lee Bollinger

Treasurer: Don Crosman

Recording Secretary: Daniel J. Redmond

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Goodrich

Board of Governors: Walter E. Holm, R. J. Frost, Charles R. Bigelow.

The singing of Christmas Carols was led by Stanley Hawley, accompanied at the piano by Antoinette Connell. Stan Hawley then presented "The Cremation of Sam Magee" and "The Shooting of Dan Magrew." Punch was served. Santa distributed gifts, after which coffee, sandwiches, and cookies were served.

— DON T. THRALL
Recording Secretary

FT. WORTH COIN CLUB — 13th meeting October 6th, in the Frisco Auditorium, 700 W. Vickery, Jim White, Vice President, presiding; 55 present. Philip Wygant gave an informative illustrated talk on various ways to mount coins and bills for preservation and display. Bob Wallace presided over the usual benefit auction.

— FAITH LEWIS
Reporter

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB — 15th meeting December 1st, auditorium of the Frisco Building, 700 W. Vickery; benefit auction; President H. H. Pinkerton presiding; 39 present. The following officers were elected for 1956:

President: Phil Wygant

Vice President: Edgar E. Paschal

Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Beverly Mire

Directors for 1956-1958: T. S. Edmondson and T. J. Taylor

Gordon Bluehler of Dallas, Texas, lectured on "The First Issues of Confederate Currency" and showed his collection.

The Club held a well-attended Christmas banquet at the Elks' Club on December 7th, at which numismatic Christmas gifts with a \$2.00 minimum were exchanged. A good time was had by all.

— FAITH LEWIS
Reporter

GREENVILLE COIN CLUB — Officers for 1956:

President: Paul H. McLean
Vice President: Alden T. LeBarron
Secretary: Milton Goldsmith
Treasurer: Joseph S. Partridge
Curator: Dr. Charles Ferris
— MILTON GOLDSMITH
Secretary

HAWTHORNE COIN CLUB — Meeting December 2nd, Hawthorne Plant of the Western Electric Company, Cicero, Illinois; 31 present; G. Formella presided; auction.

Vice Pres. H. Mareska thanked all the members who took part in the hobby show. Participation certificates were distributed; and to the fortunate winners, medals were awarded. Those so honored were:

G. Formella: Gold and silver medals
H. Mareska: Gold and bronze medals
J. Gore: Gold medal
E. Valach: Silver medal
Marie Kalish: Silver medal
P. Igelman: Bronze medal
S. Spofford: Bronze medal

Glenn Smedley, our speaker of the evening, has been a very welcome guest at Hawthorne on numerous occasions. He chose for his subject "Personal Experiences in Numismatics." He stated, that above all, his main interest in life is not coin collecting; but he enjoys meeting new friends. And he proceeded to tell us of the wonderful people he met by sharing his hobby and knowledge of numismatics with others. The scrapbook which he brought along helped illustrate this, as it contained many items of interest, such as: newspaper clippings of numismatic conventions; a coin script of a TV program which he shared with Jim Hurlbut; pictures of coin exhibits; a collection of articles which he wrote for numismatic publications; ribbons won at various exhibits; and, also, a Hawthorne club bulletin dated June 6, 1947.

The coins and medals on display were those belonging to Mr. Smedley and Mr. Kopicki (another of our guests, who, about a year ago, gave us a wonderful talk on bank notes).

— MARIE H. KALISH
Secretary

HEART OF AMERICA NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — 238th meeting at the Elks Club, 19 East Armour, December 19th, in the form of a Christmas party and a short business meeting; 24 present. Highlight was a quiz game presented by John Maxim.

— BUFORD A. ELLIS
Secretary

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB — December 6, 1955, meeting. At the annual election of the Long Beach Coin Club the following officers were elected for 1956: Sol Alexander, president; Charles L. Ruby, vice president, and E. L. Sims, secretary. John C. Yribarne announced that the California State Numismatic Association

had accepted the invitation to hold the fall, 1957, convention in Long Beach. Mr. Yribarne, Charles M. Johnson and Sol Alexander were appointed as a committee to proceed with the pre-convention arrangements and planning.

Dr. Charles L. Ruby talked on "Early United States Coinage" and displayed part of his collection of quarters and half dollars.

— CHARLES M. JOHNSON
President

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB — 333rd meeting Dec. 2nd; Foresters' Hall; Pres. Wm. H. Spence presided; auction; 139 present. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

Officers elected for the coming year are:

President: Earl Glen Whitehead
Vice President: Oliver S. Garretson
Treasurer: Abel Sampson
Secretary: Mrs. O. S. Garretson

Board of Governors: William H. Spence, George Bennett, Jay D. Dare, Richard P. Goodson, Paul Weiger and Murray G. Singer.

It is evident that 1955 has been our most successful in its 28 years, with a paid membership of 180, 59 new members during the year, and average meeting attendance of 115.6 persons.

— (MRS.) ESTHER G. SPENCE
Secretary

LOUISVILLE COIN CLUB — Meeting Dec. 6, Henry Clay Hotel; 20 present; Pres. Tlleston presided. New officers are:

President: Edward Shacklett
Vice President: J. Marshall English
Recording Secretary: John Stormes
Corr. Secretary: C. J. Posepny

Treasurer: Charles Bauble
Directors: E. H. Dilley, Mrs. E. G. Hager, W. E. Reinhardt.

Richard Kenney spoke on "apocryphal" coins. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

— JOHN COSGROVE
Reporter

LOUISVILLE COIN CLUB — Meeting Dec. 20, Henry Clay Hotel, 18 present. We had a Christmas party. After the exchange of gifts we had a lively auction.

— JOHN COSGROVE
Reporter

MARYLAND NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

— Meeting Nov. 23, 1955, at First Christian Church, Copley Rd., Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Edward Plummer displayed a very beautiful picture of Queen Elizabeth along with unc. 1953, 1954, 1955 Canadian coins and 1954 U. S. mint set to compare holders. Mr. Jones showed a part of the Baltimore Sunday Sun on the Garret collection. Gordon Roberts told about some large size U. S. paper currency signed by Alvanley Johnson. These notes were mentioned in Truman's memoirs. Mr. Wolfson exhibited Israeli coins and a letter from the U. S. mint. A picture of the Confederate seal was shown along with a Confederate note bearing the seal. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

— MRS. J. E. M. WOOD
Secretary

MARYLAND NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 52nd meeting December 8th at First Christian Church in Baltimore; auction. The 1956 officers were installed as follows:

President: W. E. Hepting
Vice President: J. B. Henry

Secretary: Harry C. Jones
Treasurer: S. B. Russell
Directors: Mrs. J. E. M. Wood, Capt.
L. M. Cockaday, Joseph F. Eisler, Geo. G.
Fuld, T. Gordon Roberts
Members at Large: Thos. P. Warfield,
Jerry Cohen, W. M. Hays, Chas. E. McCormick

Exhibits:
Edward W. Cockey: Silver dollars, patterns and proofs, from 1865 to 1904. Some of the patterns were struck in copper.

Mrs. E. Plummer: Late mint coins of Sweden.

T. Gordon Roberts: Paper dollars in one to 20 dollar silver certificates, series 1886 and 1891.

— HARRY C. JONES
Secretary

MEMPHIS COIN CLUB — Nov. 22 meeting. The adoption of by-laws was discussed. The by-laws were adopted. We held our election for the officers for the coming year. An effort is to be made to have an exhibit or talk of some kind at our meetings.

— W. H. BRODERICK
Secretary

MEMPHIS COIN CLUB — Met in the Union Planters National Bank. W. H. Broderick, who served so faithfully as secretary was elected president, succeeding Sam Taubenblatt.

The club adopted a constitution and by-laws. Any other coin club might obtain a copy by writing the secretary.

— J. E. HIGGINS
Secretary

MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 181st meeting. Hotel Roosevelt, St. Louis, December 12th; auction; Pres. Arno S. Meyer presided. This Christmas party and ladies night was attended by 39. The Central States Numismatic Society has selected our society as host to the 1957 spring convention.

Arno S. Meyer and D. Wayne Johnson displayed beads and wampum used by the Indians, Chinese razor, wheel and hoe money; Chinese tree money; bullet money; German and Siamese porcelain; German silk, linen, leather and velvet money, and many others. Mr. Johnson stated that the stone money used on Yap weighs 100 or more pounds, samples of which could not be brought to the meeting. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

— W. G. ARNOLD
Secretary-Treas.

MONROE COUNTY COIN CLUB — Nov. 9th, 1955. First banquet at Mountain Manor Hotel, Marshalls Creek, Pa.; Pres. Harry Miller presided; 38 attended. Displays: F. Lynn Lantz: Large cents, Indian head cents and proof sets. Forrest Smith: Letter written by George Washington, type sets, collection of paper money and presidential medals. Carroll All: U. S. proof sets. Movies of Rocky Mountains shown by F. Lynn Lantz and Son.

— C. BURTON ALTEMOSE
Secretary

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 263rd meeting Military Park Hotel in Newark on Dec. 8th. Election of officers for coming year.

The topic for the evening "Odd and Curious Money of the World" brought out many items of high numismatic interest.

Exhibits:
W. C. Blaisdell: Chinese Ming note.
H. M. Oechsner: Various Soho mint patterns by Droz, and proofs of the "Cartwheel" penny and 2 pence. Also triple thaler of Ferdinand II 1632 over 1626 and double thaler of Ferdinand III 1641 over 1639.

H. C. Mathews: Chinese "knife" money and Mexican "hoe" money.

W. A. Selfridge: Various types of Oriental coins including temple pieces done in large scrollwork. Also ½ won of Korea bearing the eagle of Russia instead of the usual dragon.

J. P. Keller: Freak cents, nickels, and dimes.

J. A. Brown: Two headed nickel, Franklin Memorial cent, set of standing Liberty halves.

L. O. Goodman: Indian head cents 1882, 1887, 1891, 1892, 1894.

T. L. Baskin: Chinese jade coin.

— T. L. BASKIN
Secretary

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB — 564th meeting Dec. 9, 1955, No. 45 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.; Pres. Oscar G. Schilke presided; 28 present.

Exhibits:
H. S. Bareford: Coins from 450 B. C. to 1953 — gold and silver with "Feminine Touch."

Dr. J. Blanchard: Obsolete bank notes, mostly proofs, together with die proofs of vignettes, all showing women and children in honor of ladies' night.

V. L. Brown: Canada \$25 note; Austria 25 schilling 1955 commemorating opening of Vienna Opera House.

D. G. Douglas: 1951 N. Y. Numismatic Club medal showing four years of circulation; centennial medal of Firemans Ins. Co.

Mrs. D. G. Douglas: Mrs. Grover Cleveland and Mrs. Wm. H. Taft in numismatics.

A. R. Feldman: U. S. \$500 bond (unsigned).

R. Gallo: Five bronzes of Syracuse 1795 — D.67-D.66.

E. K. Hessberg: Proof set Elizabeth II.

M. F. Kortjohn: English half crowns from 1551 to 1953 of all monarchs; groats of Philip and Mary.

D. J. McClymont: "The Ladies, Bless 'Em!" Arsinoe II, on Egyptian decadrachm of Ptolemy III, ca. 240 B.C.; Cleopatra VII, on denarius of M. Antonius, struck before 30 B.C.; Agrippina the Elder, on a denarius of Caligula; Agrippina, Drusilla, Julia on sestertius of Caligula; Elizabeth I of England, crown 1601; Anne of England, crown 1707; Anne of Russia, ruble 1737; Elizabeth of Russia, ruble 1744; Christina of Sweden, ducat 1645, daler 1644; Isabella I of Spain, on U. S. quarter, 1893; Mme. Fanny Janauschek, thaler, 1864 and double thaler, 1866, of Frankfurt.

D. Pascal: Early American cents, Sheldon No. 173 — five examples of die break, Sheldon No. 148-D-117 three examples also die break varieties. S No. 140, 280, 140 new acquisitions.

D. Picker: 1795 ½ dol. Beistle 15-Ga. Oscar G. Schilke: Set of one and two dollar U. S. currency picturing women thereon.

R. Solomon: ½c pure copper token 1837; 5c pure nickel pattern 1883; 200 paoli (80 Florins) Tuscany, Leopold II kt. 24 gold 1827.

Thomas J. Wass III: \$20 St. Gaudens Roman numeral.

Charles M. Wormser: Scotland, medal 1699 James II and James, Prince of

Wales (after deposed). "Niello" of Charles I and Henrietta Maria.

A club medal was awarded to H. S. Bareford for the best exhibit of the evening.

The following were 1956 officers elected:

President: Vernon L. Brown

Vice President: Harold S. Bareford

Secretary-Treasurer: Edward K. Hessberg.

— E. K. Hessberg

Secretary-Treasurer

OKLAHOMA CITY COIN CLUB — 193rd meeting December 27th; 28 present; First National Bank building. Pres. J. B. Sureck in the chair. A Christmas program with gift "grab bag," numismatic quiz, and late dessert supper were featured.

Exhibits:

P. K. Anderson: Two denari and quinarii of the reign of Roman emperor Augustus by the Emerita Augusta mint in Spain (now Merida), bust left and right varieties.

M. R. Brown: Forgery of Athenian tetradrachm, obviously prepared for jewelry purposes.

R. Carlisle: Two Condor tokens and an Isle of Man penny of Victoria.

John Dunn: U. S. freaks including buffalo 5-cent piece size of a 25c piece and Alaska-Yukon issues, choice.

Claude Farwell: A U. S. pattern cent of 1837 struck in Feuchtwanger's metal.

Dr. J. Lhotka: Four leptons of Judea issued during the period of Christ's activity in the Holy Land including coins of Herod the Great, Herod Agrippa, Herod Archelaus, and the Roman Procurator Antoninus Felix.

C. Moon: Balboa of Panama, three marks of pre-Hitler Germany, 10 centimes of Spain.

R. Osborne: Two Confederate bills overprinted on reverse with advertisements of his father's firm in Chicago (1896) saying the company would not be undersold and that "hoboes and roustabouts need not apply for employment."

J. B. Sureck: New Cyprus coinage proofs beautifully housed in a plush case, contrasted to the housing of U. S. proof sets.

Bobby Taylor: Travancore silver chukram.

R. Taylor: Proof South African set beautifully mounted by the mint.

H. Zeigler: Partial set of U. S. commemorative half dollars.

— J. LHOTKA

Acting Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB — 209th meeting; November 23, 1955; Brea, Calif., Woman's Clubhouse; Pres. Winn Osborne presiding; 97 present; exhibits; refreshments; auction.

Kenneth L. Nichols, assisted by his son, Gene Nichols, was honored as the Collector of the Month. He had on display the beautiful exhibit of \$4 gold Stellas (both coiled and flowing hair); type sets; proof sets; commemoratives; and others. All were contained in plastic holders arranged in a large plastic frame mounted on a silver spread bedecked table. Mr. Nichols spoke briefly and enthusiastically about his favorite hobby. Right now, he said, he is concentrating on pattern coins, particularly those with metric designs.

Officers elected by unanimous vote were: president, Joseph Courreges; vice

president, Charles Colver; secretary, Herbert Bergen; treasurer, William Hogue; librarian, Dr. C. Glenn Curtis; directors, Winn Osborne, Dr. C. L. Emmons, John Stoppelwerth, Charles Boothe, Wm. Jack Davis.

Charles Colver spoke on his favorite subject "Coins of England." His interest in English coins started while he was recuperating at a hospital in London during World War II. These coins, he said, are both beautiful and bountiful, not expensive to obtain. He exhibited a number of these coins and tokens.

— H. M. BERGEN

Secretary

OREGON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY —

Meeting Dec. 12, Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Ore.; 43 present. New officers for 1956 are: Clyde L. Davis, president; Bert Allumbaugh, vice president; Mrs. Clyde L. Lewis, secretary; William Worth, treasurer; board of directors — J. C. Bushnell, Wade Patterson and Joe Shearman.

Displays:

R. W. Bailey: 1898 \$5.00 gold counterfeited and 1900 LaFayette dollar.

Jim Padden: Chinese hollow handle spade dating approximately 2500 B.C.

Ralph Fishback: Liberty head nickels and nickel 3c.

Joe Shearman: Bust and sitting liberty 50c and Indian head cent set.

Wesley E. Jackson: Gold type set and large notes.

Ralph W. Isaac: New Mexican 5 pesos 1955.

John Trout: Mint and 1955 proof set.

Bert Allumbaugh: 1940 proof set.

S. L. Burnaugh: Personal medals.

George McClarty: Canadian cent collection started 70 years ago and tray of odd 2c pieces.

John Townsley: First type of 3c pieces.

— MRS. CLYDE L. DAVIS

Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY —

477th meeting, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, Nov. 30th; Pres. John E. Ohls presided; 42 present. Displays for the evening were medals. Exhibitors were Ken Allen, Clifford Bloom, Cmdr. Bowker, Mike Carr, Don Craig, Mrs. Harry Cutler, Walter Gerth, Roy Hill, A. G. K. Jakobsen, Clifford Liss, Less Lodge, Kurt Loret, John E. Ohls, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parker, Robt. Patterson, F. C. Powell, Mrs. Redfield, Don Rhodes, Bob Siekman, Paul Snedaker, Joe Stack, Milton Strauch, Bill Tivol and Mrs. Mabel Patterson, who talked on her display of medals. Joe Stack also gave a talk on medals.

— EULA C. JAKOBSEN

Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 478th meeting, Sheraton-Palace hotel, Dec. 28th; Pres. John E. Ohls presided; 60 present. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

Kurt Loret displayed coins used during the time of the birth of Christ.

The following were elected for 1956. Pres. John E. Ohls; V.P., Robt. Patterson; Sec., Frank C. Powell; treasurer, Paul Snedaker; librarian, Cmdr. Bowker. Board of governors: Les Lodge, Kurt Loret, C. L. Liss and Milton C. Strauch.

Meeting adjourned by giving stockings to all present and singing "Auld Lang Syne."

— EULA C. JAKOBSEN

Secretary

PONTIAC COIN CLUB — 75th meeting Dec. 6, 1955, Pontiac YMCA. We will have the K. of C. hall at the corner of Parke and Saginaw streets for our spring bourse, to be held March 11th, 1956. A cordial welcome to any one who will be in the vicinity and would like to attend; dealers tables available. Further information may be obtained from the secretary at 10265 Lakeside Drive, Rt. 2, Milford, Mich.

— ERMA WILKINS
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — 952nd meeting Dec. 6th; Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences; 48 present; Pres. Howard F. Osterman presided.

William E. McGrath talked on "U. S. Commemorative Half Dollars 1927 to date." This was the second part of this program, part of this series was in an earlier program.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: 51 staters issued by Tarentum 380-228 B.C., specimens collected from the celebrated collections sold during the past 40 years. Many of them are very rare.

Norman F. Prince: Communion token.

Edmund J. Cox: U. S. bar cent.

John J. Pittman: 20 francs of Tunis 1939 proof; 8 reales of Columbia 1821 vf; 2½ guilders of the Netherlands, struck at Denver, 1943; 1904 Lewis & Clarke gold dollar; U. S. silver dollar of 1903 unc.; U. S. \$2.50 gold 1840 and 1852-D; U. S. \$10 gold of 1806-O.

Floyd B. Newell: *Coins of Korea* by Alan D. Craig.

Alphonse A. Kolb: Plaster and lead cast of the James I. McGowan R. N. A. presidential medal.

James I. McGowan: U. S. half dollars 1814 and 1830 unc.

Edward A. Gilroy: U. S. 1799 cent, perfect die, ex. fine, the original Crosby specimen.

William McGrath: U. S. commemorative half dollars 1892-1936.

Herbert W. VandenBrul: Books — *Decimal Coinage of Canada and Newfoundland*, from *The Numismatist*, 1947; *The St. George Copper Tokens of the Bank of Upper Canada*, 1934; *The Copper Tokens of the Bank of Montreal*, 1919; *The Canadian Bouquet Sous*, 1908, the last three by Eugene C. Courteau; *Canadian Tokens*, 1912 by P. N. Breton; *Civil War Tokens and Tradesmen's Cards* by Hetrich-Gutttag, this copy autographed by Julius Gutttag "To my Nephew Irwin."

Herbert W. Chapin: Quarter dollar gold California 1875 round; half dollar gold California 1875 octagonal.

Mrs. Stella Osterman: Coins of Poland, small denier of Wladislaus II 1139-1148; gros for Poland, Lithuania Sigismund Augustus 1565; ort of John Casimir for Thorn 1655; gulden of Friedrich Augustus II 1703; 5 zlot of republic of Poland 1831.

— MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — 953rd meeting Dec. 20th; Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences; 42 present; Pres. Howard F. Osterman presided.

Robert M. Roecker spoke on "Decimal Coinage of Canada and Newfoundland." He gave an educational description of all the series of coins. Mr. Roecker also

described varieties along with the books and other works on this subject.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Double crown of Genoa 1176; crown of Maria Theresa 1748; crown of Maximilian of Hungary 1629; crown of Hungary 1771; papal medals.

Charles J. Ricard: German inflation 10,000 mark note showing the "Vampire" which was reproduced in the December *Numismatist*.

Herbert W. VandenBrul: Newfoundland — 50 cents 1876 H; 10 cents 1880, 1888 and 1896; 5 cents 1885, 1873 and 1873 H (not listed in Charlton); penny token of Nova Scotia 1832 — 3 varieties; Canada — cent of 1891 small date, large leaves.

John J. Pittman: 1, 5, 10 and 20 cents br. proof of Canada 1858; Canada — 1870-1955 complete collection of all Canadian decimal bronze, silver and gold coins, ex. fine-unc. and proof including proof sets of 1870, 1902, 1911 and 1937; \$20 gold British Columbia 1862; U. S. \$2.50 gold — 30 pieces — Philadelphia, New Orleans, Charlotte and Dahlonga mints; U. S. \$10 gold 1900 proof, 1907 periods unc., 1920-S unc. and 1933 unc.; U. S. complete set of unc. peace dollars.

Robert M. Roecker: Newfoundland 10 cents 1865-1947 complete; 10 cents New Brunswick 1864; 10 cents of Canada 1858, 1870 to 1955 except 1875, 1884 and 1889.

Edward A. Gilroy: Fugio cent in silver; U. S. trade dollar 1874-S with chop marks.

William A. Moyes: Two consecutively numbered 1914 \$5 Federal Reserve notes.

Dr. John M. MacMillan: Four German commemorative sharpshooter medals.

Mrs. Stella Osterman: Poland ½ gros of Casimir IV 1445-1492; small bracteate of Wladislaus III 1202-1224; Ort of Sigismund III 1623.

— MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN
Secretary

ST. PETERSBURG COIN CLUB — 50th meeting December 16, 1955. Florida Power Idea Center, 1510 First Avenue, North, St. Petersburg, Fla.; 32 present.

A motion to raise dues from \$1 to \$2 for senior members was defeated. Banquet will be held at the regular February meeting.

A display of coins of the Stuart kings of England, particularly those of Charles I (1625-1649) were shown by Mr. Bert Adams.

— IRENE J. BANNISTER
Secretary

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB — 90th meeting Dec. 15th, 1955, VFW Clubhouse, G. St., installation of officers A.N.A. President Leonel Panosh; 51 present; auction. Thanks to Pres. Panosh for a job well done. Pres. Coons responded and thanked Past Pres. Yribarne and the members for their cooperation.

Program Chairman Brian Burke presented Don Smyzer, who gave us "From Idols to God," and illustrated his talk with coins from Rome, Thessaly, and Palestine, substantiated by passages from the Bible.

On display was one of the 1913 Liberty head nickels brought by Gene Johnson from Mr. McDermott's collection. Andrew Verbance had had one of the four controversial 1923-D dimes under the microscope. Potter Palmer, Jr., showed Snel-

ling's Coins of Great Britain, France, and Ireland" printed in London, 1763.

— L. L. BROWN
Secretary

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COIN CLUB—51st meeting at Round Robin Hall, 5900 N. Cahuenga Blvd., North Hollywood, Calif.; 60 present. Pres. George Daude called upon Floyd Lewis, board member and past president to install the officers for 1956, as follows:

Board members: Russ Snyder, Don Emeott, Lester Wollard, Paul Martin, Norman Johnson, George Baude

President: Howard Stolper
Vice President: Karl Brainard
Secretary: Iris Baude

Treasurer: Vincent Deterle
Freeland Frazier presented color slides of his recent Hawaiian trip. He displayed a complete set of proof coins from 1858 to and including 1915. We understand Mr. Frazier has rejected a cash offer of \$13,000 for this collection.

— NELLIE LEWIS
Secretary

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COIN CLUB—November 16th meeting. Green Hotel, Pasadena, Calif. Pres. Robert Williams presided; 15 present.

Displays were made by I. N. Sanders, 1895 proof dollar; Ralph Graves, 1891 proof dollar; Robert Williams, medals; Jack Reberry 1805 pillar dollar.

Ralph Graves gave a brief account of the CSNA convention in San Diego. Robert Williams gave an interesting talk and explanation of each of his medals.

— RALPH C. GRAVES
Corresponding Secretary

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB—110th meeting Dec. 5, Hotel De Anza; Austen Warburton presided; 24 present; auction.

The following were elected 1956 officers: pres., Roy Hill; vice pres., Rudy Giurovich; sec., Syl Tully, Jr.; treas., Wm. Stones; Jr. vice pres., Tom Boyce; librarian-historian, Geo. Kohl; directors, Wm. Weber, Wm. Craig, Ralph Smith, and Austen Warburton.

Ralph A. Mitchell who gave a talk and display on the seldom explored numismatic specialty of communion tokens. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

Exhibits:

Syl Tully, Jr.: Ancient odd and curious, and modern U. S. counterfeit.
Allen Hardy: English coins.

Wm. Craig: Austrian shillings of 1924 and 1925.

Roy Hill: Numismatic miscellany.

— BEVERLY GAYLE SMITH
Secretary

SEATTLE COIN CLUB—227th meeting Hotel Edmund Meany; 27 present; auction.

Arthur and Shirley Lakes entertained with pictures of their two years stay on the Island of Yap emphasizing the large hand cut stone money used there. These huge coins change ownership but are not moved from where they have been placed. They were brought to the island by the natives on outrigger canoes. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

The displays were favorite coins:

Carl Olander, Jr.: Eight Reales, Mexico City 1747.

Eugene Gould: United States cents. Two uncirculated 1909-S VDB cents and an Indian head proof cent outstanding.

Lawrence McCabe: Silver stater of Azes, Saka king of northwest India of the first century B.C.

Ray Pelton: 1909-S VDB cent, very fine, found in circulation.

S. H. Bibler: Syracuse tetradrachm 485-478 B.C. All types of \$20 gold pieces 1852-O, 1876-S, 1889-S in proof, St. Gaudens type, Roman date, very high relief with beveled edge. A 1908-D without the motto and a 1915-S with the motto.

James Knight: Type collection of the Kreuger coins of the South Africa republic.

Ben Gorlick: 25 models and patterns of England from 1/16 farthing to the crown.

— ANNETTE B. GRAVES
Secretary

SHENANGO VALLEY COIN CLUB—30th meeting December 15, 1955, Farrell Public Library; 50 present. This was our annual Christmas party, with Harold Jamieson as Santa Claus.

Officers elected for 1956 are:

President: Homer Swanson

Vice President: Paul Vernille

Treasurer: Felix DeMartinis

Secretary: Arden E. Gilson

Homer Swanson presented Paul Vernille with a gavel inscribed as the past president 1953-1955. The new president also gave the secretary a roll of 1953-S dimes, for fine work turned in the past year.

The monthly award, a 1955 proof set, was won by Kalman Dankovich, C. D. Clark, from Akron, Ohio, president of the Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs, commented on the pleasure of visiting our club.

Exhibits:

C. D. Clark: General display of U. S. coins and currency.

Milton Goldsmith: U. S. coins, silver dollars, and various coin holders.

Mr. Porter and Mr. Burke: Gold coins and rare U. S. coins and currency.

— ARDEN E. GILSON
Secretary

TORONTO COIN CLUB—Meeting Nov. 26th; 23 present; Pres. Vincent G. Greene presided. G. R. L. Potter talked on his exhibit of Japanese swords and their accouterments. John J. Pittman exhibited gold coins and sets and current coins and coin weights.

— PETER S. FAVRO
Secretary

TORONTO COIN CLUB—Meeting Dec. 17th; 23 present; auction; Vice President Norman B. Mason presided. A tentative draft of a constitution was offered which will be considered at the annual meeting in April. New 1956 officers are:

President: D. J. S. Wilkinson

Vice President: Fred C. Jewett

Secretary: Peter S. Favro

Treasurer: Mrs. Louise Graham

Librarian: Mrs. Freda Peddie

Directors: Norman B. Mason, G. Max Skinner, Clare Kekewich.

— PETER S. FAVRO
Secretary

TRENTON NUMISMATIC CLUB—41st meeting November 7th, 1955, "Farmhouse" on West State Street; Program Chairman Jos. W. Scott presided; 38 present; auction, proceeds of which were donated to the Delaware Valley United Fund; also regular auction held.

— WALTER R. CAINES
Secretary

VIRGINIA PENINSULA COIN CLUB—Annual banquet meeting 12th Dec. Oasis Restaurant, Hampton, Va., 21 present.

Election of officers for 1956:
V. E. Wornham, Hampton, Pres.
Ben M. Sugg, Hampton, Vice Pres.
M. H. Reynolds, Ft. Eustis, Sec. Treas.
ANA slide set "Coins of Special Significance" presented by Maj. Gillette and Mr. Roberts received enthusiastic response.

— MERVYN H. REYNOLDS
Secretary-Treasurer

WEST TENNESSEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 13th meeting November 7, 1955, Community Room of the National Bank of Commerce at Jackson; auction; 24 present; Pres. H. Leroy Pope presided. W. R. Jones of Humboldt who gave an interesting talk on silver dollars of the U. S.

Plans were made for displays and exhibits for National Coin Week in 1956.

— J. LOUIS ADAMS
Secretary

WEST TENNESSEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — 14th meeting was a dinner meeting, Holiday Inn, Jackson, Tenn., on Dec. 5, 1955; 36 attended; auction.

Pres. H. Leroy Pope presided and introduced J. Louis Adams who spoke on "Commemorative Coins of the United States." Interesting talks were made by L. G. Barnard and Frank F. Sturm, both Memphis members of the Society.

The annual election of officers was held and R. N. James of Gibson was elected president for the ensuing year. Robert Nolen and George Bennett, both of Jackson, were elected vice president and secretary, respectively. All three officers for 1956 are bankers. (See "Top of the Clubs.")

Co-Chairman Robert Nolen of the scrapbook committee exhibited the new club scrapbook and requested material from the members.

— J. LOUIS ADAMS
Secretary

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — Meeting Dec. 6, 1955, Carnegie Museum Library; President DeVos presided; 14 present. John M. Kennedy spoke on "English Shillings and Copper Coins."

Exhibits:

David L. Davis: Roman and Roman Egyptian coins.

Prosper E. DeVos: U. S. proof sets 1950 to 1955, halves 1948 to 1953-S, dimes 1946 to 1954-S, 1926 \$20 gold unc.

William A. Gaede: Commemorative half dollars, foreign gold coins, large currency unc.

John M. Kennedy: 17 shillings England 1551 to 1953, sixpence Charles II, gilded proof coins George III, 12 English 1c pieces George III to Elizabeth II 1799-1953.

Robert A. Lloyd: Constantine I bronze 306-337 A.D., Constantinian period early 4th century A.D., Faustina SR 138-161 A.D., Maximianus I bronze 284-308 A.D., Constantine 351-354 A.D., Maxentius 306-312 A.D., silver gordianus Pius 234-244 A.D., Syracuse 300 B.C., Rome Augustus 43B-C-14 A.D., Constantine II 317-340 A.D., struck London bronze, Calenius 253-268 A.D., Constans 333-350 A.D., 1895-S \$20 gold, 1901 \$10 gold, 1882 \$5 gold, 1855 \$3 gold, 1915 \$2.50 gold, 1914-D \$2.50 gold, 1914 \$2.50 gold, 1861 \$1 gold, 1853 \$1 gold, 1917 \$1 McKinley, 1861 50c California, 1857 25c California.

Armour M. Murdoch: 1783 Nova Constellation cent.

— RICHARD T. FOLEY
Secretary

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB — 417th meeting Dec. 14th Hotel Carter; President Poxon presiding; 27 present; auction.

Election of officers was held. Poxon handed his gavel to Wm. Jacka who installed the new officers, R. T. McNamara as president and Fred N. Hahlen as secretary.

Displays were:

Wm. Jacka: Medals, tokens, coins and ribbons of the 1876 Philadelphia centennial. One set in original case.

Mr. Chilcote: \$5, \$10 notes brown back of national banks of Cleveland including \$5 small size of Engineers Natl. Bank.

Joe Lukas: Proof dimes of various dates, and a collection of coins showing how not to collect coins.

Doc. Sargis: Coins of Athena, coin of Corinth and double shekel of Phoenicia, widows mite found in palace plus a 1000 mark German note.

Edgar Bell: U. S. coins with signature of Daniel Manning who also signed the auto use stamps of wartime.

Austin Lloyd: English coronation medal of 1902, crown of 1848, silver with gold center, penny copper silver center, one with brass center, 1/2 penny silver center, one part copper silver center and 1/4 penny brass.

Mr. Kirkwood: Paper monies of 39 countries.

Fred N. Hahlen: Washington coins, tokens and pattern pieces in memory of his death Dec. 14th, 1799.

— FRED N. HAHLEN
Secretary

WICHITA COIN CLUB — 98th meeting at Wolf's Cafeteria Dec. 7, 1955. Attendance record was set with 58 present; auction; Merrill Younkin, vice president, presided.

Officers elected were Merrill Younkin, president; D. E. McGinnis, vice president; Zeb Collins, secretary, and Mrs. Gerald Cron, treasurer. Lewis M. Reagan made an address presenting Bert Craig with an engraved gavel for his service as president during the past year.

— ZEB COLLINS
Secretary

WICHITA COIN CLUB — 99th meeting; Wolf's Cafeteria; Pres. Younkin presided with 40 members present. Roy Osburn showed slides of pictures taken at the A.N.A. and Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association conventions. Mr. Osburn also explained the organization and purpose of the OKNA. Business of the meeting included making plans for the OKNA convention which will be at Wichita's Broadview Hotel Oct. 13 and 14, 1956.

— ZEB COLLINS
Secretary

WORCESTER COUNTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — November 11th meeting; auction; refreshments; 48 present; Pres. Elvin Eagles presided. Those nominated for office for 1956 are:

President: John Kittredge

Vice President: Flora Bryant

Secretary: Lyle Smith

Treasurer: Eugene J. Dragon

On display for the evening were a collection of uncirculated and proof half dollars owned by Clifford Howe.

— EUGENE J. DRAGON
Secretary

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RUTH GREEN

UNITED STATES GOLD

We list below the GOLD coins bought recently as a part of a large collection from the estate from an eastern collector. These coins have not previously been listed by us. There are many nice coins in the lot.

DOUBLE EAGLES (\$20.00)	
1900-S VG	\$40.00
1907 Roman numerals, wire edge, dent on Rev. EF	125.00
1907 Arabic Numerals. EF	60.00
1908 No Motto. VF	50.00

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1881 VF	25.00
1892-CC F	27.50
1906-D VF	25.00
1907 Liberty Hd. VF	25.00
1907 St. Gaudens, no per. Choice. UNC	35.00
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1834 Pl. 4, No motto; wing touches 1st "A" in AMER. VF	17.50
1834 Pl. 4, No motto; wing does not touch "A." UNC	27.50
1882 VF	12.50
1887-S F	11.00
1894 F	11.00
1895 F	10.00
1895 VF	12.50
1897 VF	12.50
1905 VF	11.00
1906 AU	12.50
1907-D AU	12.50
1908 Liberty Head. UNC	14.00
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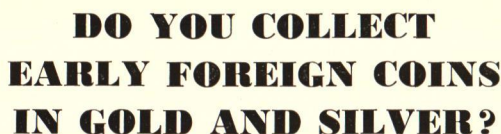
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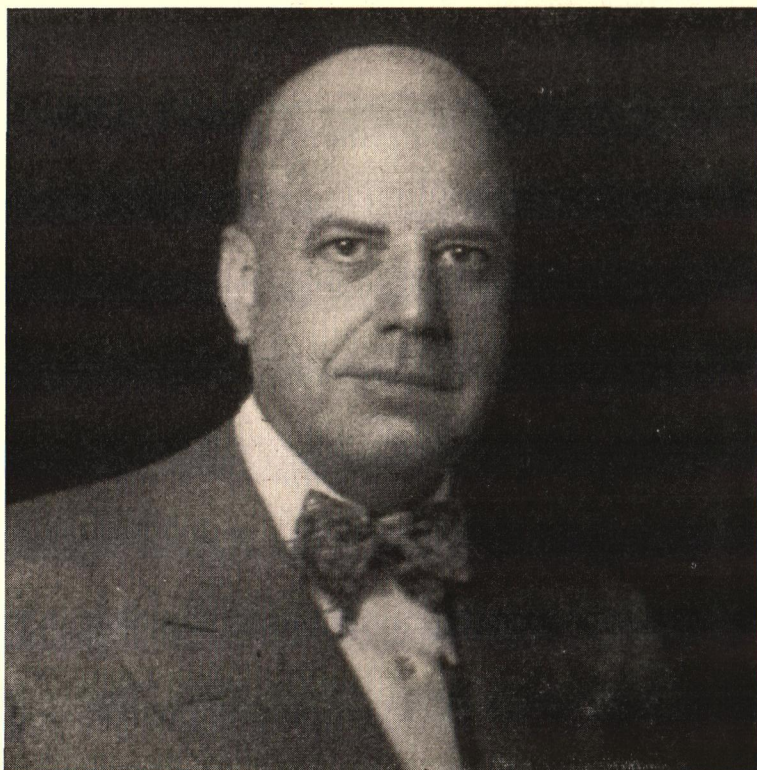


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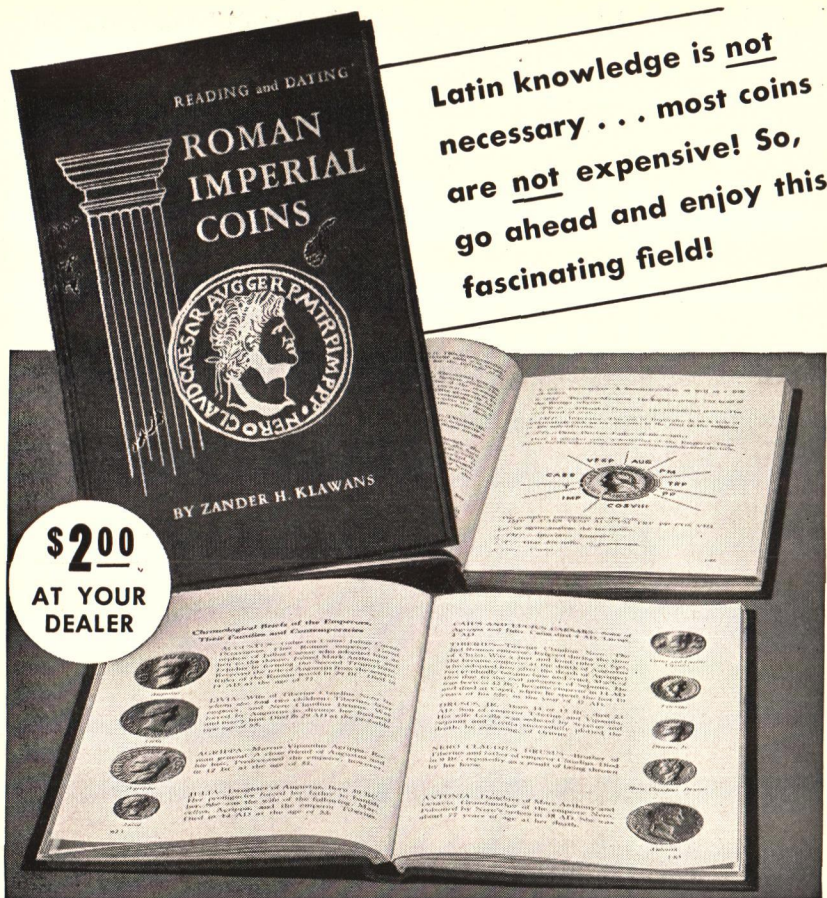
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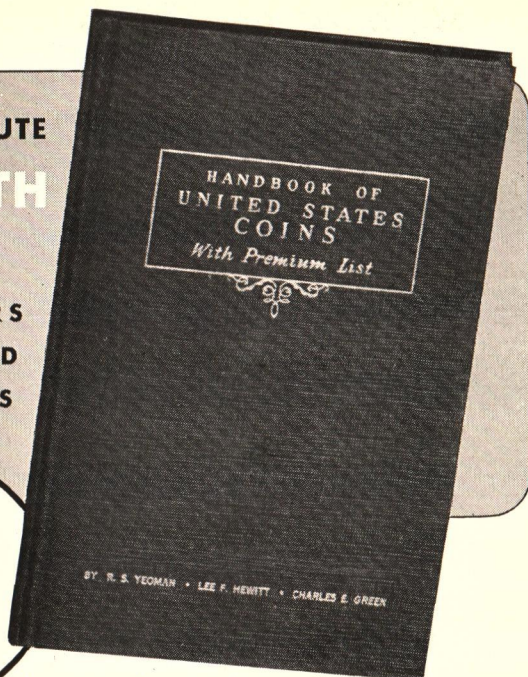
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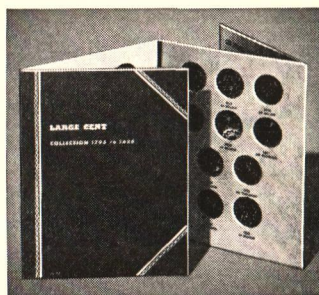


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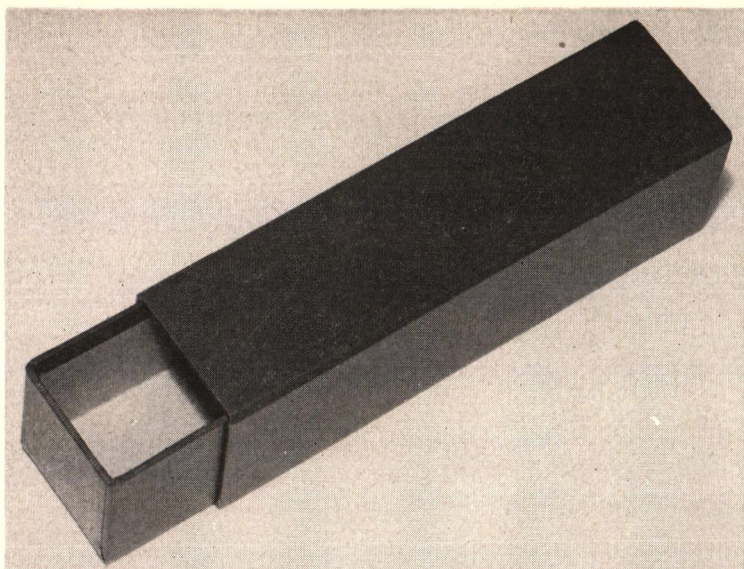
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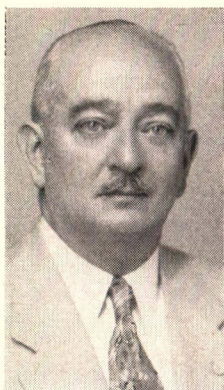
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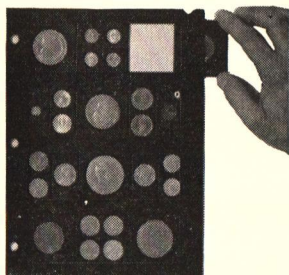
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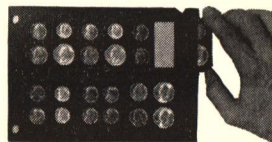
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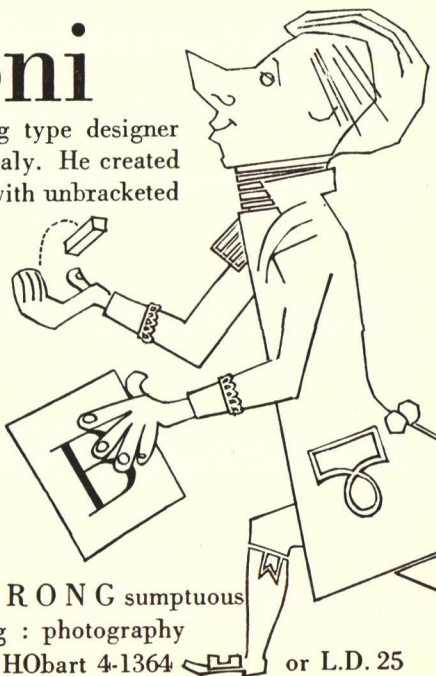


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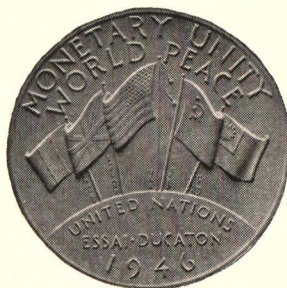
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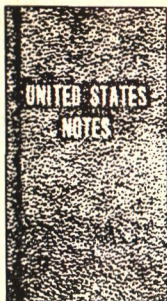
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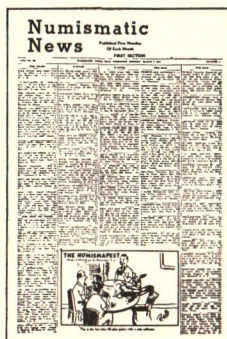
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